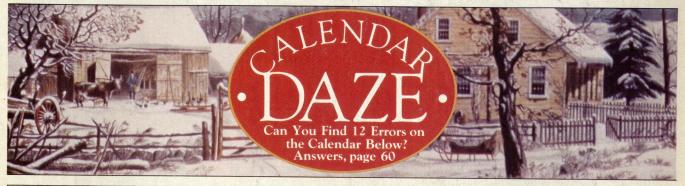
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# **OUR MOVE**

# Before You Ask...

I f you're puzzled by this issue's cover date: No, we haven't changed our frequency again, and you haven't missed an issue. To avoid the inconvenience of referring to this issue as "December 1987/January 1988," we've decided that this is a good time to drop the name of one of the months on each issue's cover, as a number of other bimonthly magazines have done. And since this issue is scheduled to be on newsstands through most of January, the month we've dropped is December. Future issues of GAMES will be designated March, May, July, and so on.

One other omission you may find puzzling is Contest Results, which we announced in last issue's Coming Distractions. For space reasons, we have had to hold until next issue the results of the Shear Wit (from June/July), Puzzle Decathlon (August/September), and hidden contests (August/September). If you'd like to see the Decathlon answers sooner, you can obtain them by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Decathlon Results, GAMES, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019.

> R. Wayne Schmittberger Editor

# **YOUR MOVE**

# TWO AND A HALF QUESTIONS \*\*\*

My friend Joe is a first-rate mathematician and logician. We were playing this game where I'd think of three numbers—positive, whole numbers only-and he'd try to guess them after asking three questions. If he didn't know them after three questions, he'd lose. Only it seems like Joe never loses.

"What's the product of your three numbers?" he asked me.

"Nine hundred."

"And their sum?"

"As a matter of fact, their sum is twice your daughter's age." (I'd just been to her birthday party last week.)

"Hmm. I'm still not sure. Take the smallest number and divide it by the difference between the two larger numbers, and tell me the result."

"Let me think for a moment. Okay, it's ...

"Never mind," said Joe. "Now I know your numbers.'

Joe likes to show off like that. What were my numbers?

Tzipora Halberstam Brooklyn, NY

# PIECES OF EIGHTS \*\*

Can you pair up the words below to form 12 eight-letter words, by putting one word in the exact middle of another? For example, SIDE inside RENT becomes RESIDENT. Each word will be used exactly once.

**AFAR** LOSS BOSS MINE CANT **NEST** COAL NINE DEER PERI DELI ROUT DIME RUNT DOER SFFR GAME SINE HOLY SPED HOSE **TANG** LINT THOU

> Rosalie Moscovitch Cote St. Luc, Quebec

# FIRST TO LAST \*

What pair of letters comes next in this sequence?

ST, ND, RD, TH, ??

Jon O. Nicholas II Louisville, KY

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# LETTERS

# ENVELOPE OF THE MONTH



Dan Boysen Chicago, IL

# **ESCAPE ROOT**

Thank you for "Escape From the Forest" (October/November). My sons, ages 8 and 11, had thoroughly enjoyed "Escape From the Dungeon" (December 1984), and I've had to make up many such puzzles for them ever since. After I did the cryptogram for them, it took them each (separately) only a half hour to complete the puzzle. Now they want me to make up Escape From the Village; it seems poor Balthus will never truly escape...

> Barbara Tamayo Miami, FL

## STORY WITHOUT FOUNDATION

Re: the Otto Titzling/Brassiere Affair ("Call Our Bluff," August/September). According to Charles Panati in his book Extraordinary Origins of Everyday Things, one Wallace Reyburn was responsible for perpetuating not only the Titzling myth, but the myth that Thomas Crapper invented the toilet bowl. In 1971, Reyburn published Bust-Up: The Uplifting Tale of Otto Titzling. Despite many double entendres, puns, and give-aways like Titzling's name and that of his Danish assistant, Hans Delving, the book is cited in several reference works on the history of clothing and costume. In a fairly short time this dubious tale became popular legend, as did Reyburn's fictitious origin of the toilet bowl, recounted in Flushed with Pride: The Story of Thomas Crapper. (Reyburn wrote that Crapper had a niece named Emma Crapper and a good friend named B.S., and was born in the year "Queen Victoria came to the throne.") Anyway, I hope this puts a halter on Jeremy Piltdown. Michael P. Duranczyk West Orange, NJ

# SEX APPEEL

In your "For the Record" Gamebit (April/ May), you mention the world's longest unbroken apple peel, along with an illustration of a man peeling it. Artistic license aside, that record actually belongs to a woman, Kathy Wafler. I believe she also holds the record for the second- and third-longest peels. I should know: She's one of my home town's claims to fame.

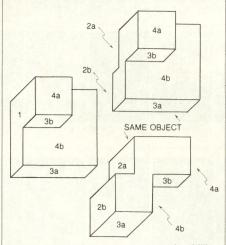
Mike Bucknam Wolcott, NY

## **TESTY RESPONSES**

The final question (#30) in "The Super IQ Test" (Aug./Sept., p. 41) is flawed. The question asks, "Which two views could not be of the same undecorated three-dimensional object? (Faces meet only at right angles.)'

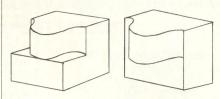


The drawing on the left, below, shows a three-dimensional object that can be used to create views 1, 3, and 4 (invalidating answers A, B, and E). The other two drawings below show a second object (from two different angles) that includes views 2, 3 and 4 (invalidating C, D, and E). Each face is labeled to show how each view is incorporated into the object.



Joe Miller Howell, NJ

The qualifications for question 30 in the IQ Test should have ruled out curved surfaces. Otherwise, the objects below, whose faces still meet at right angles, would be valid.



Dana B. Copp Tucson, AZ

Both readers are right; the question had no valid answer, and therefore was not scored. A report on the Super IQ Test begins on page 48.—Ed.

## **FAIRY TALE**

You listed the Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire in your August/September Events column (page 53). Several years ago a small West Coast college held its annual festival, also called Renaissance Faire. My father, then a dean of students at the college, received a formal letter from the lawyers of a California theme park claiming that the park owned exclusive rights to the name "Renaissance Faire" and threatening a lawsuit. My father, amused and disgusted that a small college's celebration had caused such a fuss, sent back a succinct reply: "Stick it in your eare." He heard nothing more from the California firm.

Joe Dudman Portland, OR

If a reader finds a significant error of fact or a mistake that affects the play of a game, and we agree the slip needs to be laundered, we'll print the first or best letter and send the writer a GAMES T-shirt.

# OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

In "Gadgets Galore" (Gamebits, page 8) the wrong company was listed as the maker of Techforce robots. The correct manufacturer is: Axlon, Inc., 252 Humbolt Court, Sunnyvale, CA 94089.

# EVENTS

If you plan to attend any of the following events, write or call to check entry fees, dates, sites, eligibility, etc. Include a SASE with your request. If you know of other events suitable for this column, write to Events, c/o GAMES.

# DECEMBER DAY OF THE MONTH: DECEMBER 18

The purpose of "Underdog Day" is to salute all of the underdogs and unsung heroes-the people who enjoy playing second fiddle to the top dog. (Sherlock Holmes's Dr. Watson and Robinson Crusoe's Friday are examples.) Each year Underdog's International of Clio. Michigan presents its Underdog of the Year award to a deserving recipient. Past winners include: Fred Schlafly, the man who stands behind his wife Phyllis; the city of Cleveland, Ohio, the first U.S. city to default since 1932; the U.S. auto industry; Robert Poli, head of the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization; and Ed McMahon of The Tonight Show. Contact: Underdog's International, P.O. Box 71, Clio, MI 48420.

DARTS Hotshots from all over the world will aim for the \$50,000 bull's-eye at the Lucky Lights International Challenge of Champions, December 9-11 at the New York Penta Hotel, in New York City. Entry fee is \$100 and there is a \$5 admission charge for non-players. Contact: Bull's-Eye Marketing, P.O. Box 2551, Columbus, OH 43216, or call (614) 866-0163 or (614) 873-3229.

KNOWLEDGE COMPETITION Teen scholars nationwide will try to outsmart each other in the National Knowledge Master Open, December 2. Competing junior and senior high school teams will receive a contest disk for Apple II computers, with 200 multiple-choice questions on a variety of subjects. Trophies, jerseys, and software coupons will be awarded. Entry fee per team is \$30. Contact: Academic Hallmarks, P.O. Box 998, Durango, CO 81302, or call (800) 321-9218; in Colorado (303) 274-8738.

# JANUARY DAY OF THE MONTH: JANUARY 18

Peter Mark Roget, English physician and author of Roget's Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases, was born on this day in 1779. Besides authoring one of the most widely used reference books of all time, Roget played an important role in the establishment of the University of London, devised a slide rule, and spent much time trying to perfect a calculating machine. He also showed remarkable ingenuity in inventing and solving chess problems and designed an inexpensive pocket chessboard. Roget retired from public life in 1840 in order to devote his time to publication of the Thesaurus. In September 1869, Roget died in England at the age of 90.

GAME CONVENTION A wide variety of game, science fiction, and fantasy events will take place at the Universe 88 convention, January 1-3 at the Los Angeles Airport Hilton in Los Angeles, California. Over 150 game tournaments will be held, including competitions in wargames, family games, science fiction games, and miniatures. The convention will also feature seminars and panels with science fiction authors and experts. Contact: Universe 88, P.O. Box 2577, Anaheim, CA 92804 or call (213) 925-6174.

scottish HighLand Games This year's gathering of the clans will take place January 15-16 at the Central Florida Fairgrounds in Orlando. Among the activities are piping, drumming, highland dancing, fiddling, and athletic competitions. Also included are Scottish food and beverages, and the grand Tartan Ball. Fee is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under twelve. Contact: Orlando Scottish Highland Games, P.O. Box 2149, Orlando, FL 32802 or call (305) 422-8226.

snow sculpting innovative icebreakers will chop away at blocks of ice 10 feet square at the U.S. Snow Sculpting Competition January 13-16 at the Milwaukee County Zoo in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Winners will compete in the International Snow Sculpting Competition with a chance to represent the U.S. at the XV Winter Olympic Games in Calgary. Sculptures will be on display at the Milwaukee County Zoo until they melt. Contact: Greater Milwaukee Convention and Visitors Bureau, 756 N. Milwaukee St., Milwaukee, WI 53202, or call (414) 273-3950.



SIT TO CHRISTMAS DINNER at Mrs. Bobo's Boarding House in Lynchburg, Tennessee, and you're likely to be there a while.

The occasion calls for unhurried enjoyment of dishes from every lady present. Lynne Tolley's baked turkey; Mary Ruth Hall's scalloped oysters;

Diane Dickey's tipsy sweet potatoes; Mary Kathryn Holt's boiled custard and coconut cake. And compliments from one and all. All of us in Lynchburg hope your Christmas dinner will be equally unhurried. And equally well attended by family and close friends.

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# GAMEBITS

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# SPLAT! YOU'RE DEAD

"There's a guy over there in that bunker, 50 feet straight ahead. Let's get him." Two men, dressed from head to toe in camouflage, emerge from behind a fallen log and charge forward. As they draw closer, they sight the enemy, aim, and fire. Gobs of blue paint spatter the trees around the target.

This isn't action from the set of *Platoon, Full Metal Jacket*, or *Hamburger Hill*. It's the First International Air Pistol Open Paintball Tournament, held this past summer in Newburgh, New York. In the competition, two 15-player teams stalked each other on a 20-acre field, hiding behind rocks, trees, and bushes, blasting each other with paint pellets shot from a CO<sub>2</sub> pistol.

Several organizations, such as Crossfire and Pursuit Marketing, hold similar games around the country. But the father of this mock warfare—and the tournament sponsor—is the National Survival Game, which staged the first game six years ago in the woods of New Hampshire (see "Only the Good Dye Young," Nov. 1983 GAMES).

The object of the tournament is to capture the opposing team's flag and return it to your base before they do the same to yours—and before the 45-minute time limit runs out. Getting marked with paint means you're "dead," instantly eliminated.

Though the "bullets" are relatively harmless (they can cause a welt or a bruise), the stakes are real: \$15,000 for the best team, \$5,000 and \$2,000 for second and third place.



War games: Navarone/Armageddon took home the spoils.

But none of the 32 teams are really in it for the money. Even first prize, split 15 ways, barely covers equipment costs, the \$600 team entry fee, and traveling expenses, which can be considerable: The winning team, Navarone/Armageddon, came all the way from Southern California.

Instead, players say, it's the chance to compete with

the best teams in the business, and the allure of the game itself. An estimated 10,000 players take to the woods each warm-weather weekend, and some people play in the dead of winter.

"It's like a trip to the chiropractor," says one player. "Go once and you're hooked."

"For me, it's perfect therapy," says another. "You

meet a lot of new people, spend the day in the woods, and it's good, healthy exercise."

In this round-robin tournament, points were awarded for capturing the flag and killing players. Team strategy varied widely, from blitzkrieg attacks and suicide missions to drawn-out waiting games. Not surprisingly, officials noted, with thousands in prize money at stake, and two points given to the opposition for every player eliminated, teams played cautiously. This tactic often backfired when two teams waited in ambush for each other-only to have the clock run out.

As seriously as the warriors take the game and as real as it sometimes feels, it lacks the ultimate verisimilitude. There's no chance this dialogue, overheard at a sign-in booth, had ever been duplicated in Vietnam:

Official: "Are you dead or alive?"

Player: "I'm alive—I think." —Minda Zetlin

# LIQUID ASSETS

For a merry—but frustrating—Christmas, get these sleek and chic puzzles, produced by the English design firm Loncraine Broxton.

"Aquabatic" puzzles are liquid-filled lulus. Maneuvering the balls in the robot maze (bottom right) from ear to brain is no easy task. Other fiendish puzzles require you to move scores of champagne bubbles back into the bottle, return caviar to its tin, and fit an astronaut into his space capsule. Each four-inch puzzle costs about \$10.

The "mindbender" cubes, (top right), are nasty little manipulative puzzles, cost-

ing about \$3 each.

Loncraine Broxton makes a variety of novelty items, including magnetic sculptures, liquid mazes, and other handsome executive playthings. Look for them at retail gift stores and department stores. —C. S.





NICK KOUDIS

# TALKIN' MINNESOTAN

It's the Berlitz of the Midwest. Howard Mohr's *How to Talk Minnesotan* (Penguin Books, \$6.95) not only can teach anyone to speak like a Minnesotan in 26 easy lessons, it's a definitive guide to the culture of the Gopher State, from the recipe for "barbecue" (boiled ketchup and hamburger) to body language (standing Minnesotans never face each other during conversation).

Mohr, a humorist who wrote for Garrison Keiller's now defunct radio show, "A Prairie Home Companion," has lived in Minnesota since he was a teenager and speaks the language like a native. Essential to this ability is a keen sense of understatement. "For instance," says Mohr, "after a tornado, when a farmer's place has been blown off the map, but nobody's been hurt, an interviewer might ask him, 'How do you feel?' And he'll say, 'It could be worse.'

For low-key Minnesotans, the less said the better, and Mohr offers a wealth of handy phrases—"Can't complain," "yep," "well," "so," "if it's not too much trouble"are a few—to cover almost any situation. Learn them and "you won't make a spectacle of yourself when you visit Minnesota."

The following is a twopart mini-quiz, adapted from Mohr's book. A perfect score is a heckuva deal.

I. After studying the meanings of three key Minnesotan phrases, choose the correct one for each situation (1–3).

"You bet": a pleasantly agreeable phrase that doesn't obligate you to take a strong position.

"That's different": indicates you have an opinion, but won't divulge it.

"Whatever": expresses emotional turmoil. 1) "This humidity sorta gets



to you." You reply: "\_\_\_"
2) "Your work is good,
Bud, but we're gonna have
to let you go. It's the economy." You reply "\_\_\_"
3) Someone asks you what
you think of the Organ
Meat-Cashew Hotdish
they've served you. You reply: "\_\_\_"

II. Match the three Minnesotan phrases (1–3) with their "translations" (a–c).

- 1. "It sure beats that other stuff they've been charging us seven bucks to watch." 2. "Yeah, well, boy."
- 3. "Twenty years—not too bad a deal, huh? Pass the butter, please."
- a) "I'm so happy, I can't believe it!!"
- b) "Oh, darling, this is our 20th anniversary!!!"
- c) That's the best movie I've seen in years!"

-Minda Zetlin

# METHOD TO THE MADNESS

Haircutter Tony Whitcomb, one of four murder suspects, is being grilled. What was he doing upstairs from the Shear Madness unisex salon when Isabel Czerny was stabbed to death with a pair of barber's scissors?

Cooking, he claims.

"Hey, Tony, where's your apron?" shouts a woman from the audience.

"Yeah," says the onstage police lieutenant. "Where is it, Whitcomb?"

Retrieved from Whitcomb's apartment, the haircutting apron is unfolded for all to see. The audience gasps. It is covered with a bright red stain.

"That's my goulash," explains Whitcomb. "I used extra paprika in the recipe." He grabs the apron and dangles it in the face of a dubious man in the front row. "Here, want a taste?" The crowd roars. Another suspect has wriggled free, at least momentarily. And the comedy whodunit goes on.

And on. And on. Originally scheduled for an eightweek run in Boston's cabaret-style Charles Playhouse, *Shear Madness* will this January 29th turn eight years old. Moreover, on No-

vember 16th, with performance number 3,225 in its unbroken run, the Boston production became the longest running nonmusical in the history of the American theater. Productions of Shear Madness also hold longevity records in Philadelphia, Chicago, and St. Louis.



Anyone with a ticket stub can help solve the mystery.

Why has Shear Madness become such a big hit? Largely, it seems, because of the impromptu interplay between the six actors and the audience. From the moment the house lights come on prior to intermission, the audience is invited to play detective (this invitation went out before The Mystery of Edwin Drood won acclaim for doing likewise on Broadway). Theatergoers first get to help the onstage cops reconstruct events leading up to the murder. Then they question suspects, ask for evidence, pierce alibis.

"The questions that you screamed at the TV while watching *Perry Mason* are now responded to," says co-producer Bruce Jordan.

With the audience acting, in effect, as the play's seventh character, the show is different every night, which helps explain why Edward Kelly, a 37-year-old night auditor for the Logan Airport Hilton Hotel has seen Isabel Czerny's killer collared "easily 300 times." More than once, Kelly has sat in the audience with real policemen. No doubt about it, he says, "They ask the worst questions of all."

—John Grossmann

# TALE OF THE TAPE

The photo booth has been updated for the VCR generation. Instead of presenting a strip of four little photos, the Video Gram allows customers to record a message on videocassette tapes to send to friends or relatives.

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—C. S.



# Progressive Education

# **ELEMENTARY** \*

he Nukkeldowne Elementary School believes in good old-fash-ioned discipline; its educational philosophy allows for only moderate use of positive stroking.

In fact, Ms. Rapp, Ms. Ruhl, and Mr. Palmer—each a specialist in either reading, writing, or arithmetic (though not necessarily in that order)—are the only teachers at the Nukkeldowne School who regularly reward their students for good work.

From the following clues, can you determine which teacher is in charge of each class, and offers each reward?

- Ms. Ruhl, who doesn't teach the arithmetic class, gives her best students brownie points.
- Mr. Palmer and the teacher who gives her students gold stars for excellence work in adjacent classrooms.
- The writing teacher rewards the neat est, most legible, work with red letters.

# SECONDARY \*\*

aniel, Daphne, Dexter, Dirk, and Dorcas are students at Flighing High, which offers an unusually diversified program in music and athletics. Each student monopolizes an instrument in the school orchestra (bass harpsichord, Chinese gong, coloratura accordion, hunting horn, and hurdygurdy) and has earned an athletic letter (in chariot-racing, javelin-throwing, marathon unicycling, parachute jumping, and racqueteering).

When the full orchestra played for the Honors Assembly, Daphne and the chariot racer were both settled on stage ahead of time. The unicyclist and the hurdy-gurdy player got to their instruments just in time to start the opening medley, which had to proceed without the hunting horn. When Dorcas finally clambered on stage in mid-medley, she upset three of the musicians by lurching into the Chinese gong during a rest, tripping over Dirk's feet, and knocking over the parachute jumper's music.

Dexter, undisturbed by Dorcas's entrance, grinned smugly at the javelinthrowing musician, who had been the first to arrive on stage. The embarrassed coloratura accordion player (who doesn't know how to ride a unicycle) glared vengefully at Dorcas.

Can you match the students with their instruments and athletic letters?

# HIGHER \*\*\*

iana Ploma basked in the accomplishments of her children-Euclid, Eugene, Eunice, Euphoria, and Eustace. All had earned bachelor's degrees in the four years following their graduation from high school, and two had gone on to get master's degrees two years later. But although Di's children had continued their higher education in consecutive September-to-June academic years, they had all, with tedious consistency, changed schools every two years. As a result, Di regularly received duns for money from 12 institutions of higher learning: Astorbelt, Charles Banks, Dauphin, Death Valley A. & M., Edselham, F.Y.I., Hartnell, Kenton Strait, Northern Southeastern, Prairie Dew, Stanforitt, and Y. U.

One day, Di sat down and, with the help of the following jottings, sorted out her children's educational histories:

- 1. Euphoria transferred out of Death Valley A. & M. in 1970.
- Euclid graduated from high school in the same year that the twins received their bachelor's degrees and Eunice her master's degree.
- 3. None of the children earned a degree from Northern Southeastern.
- Two letters from the children included urgent requests for money—one came from Kenton Strait in 1971, the other from Stanforitt in 1973.
- 5. The youngest child received a degree from Dauphin.
- In 1973 one child transferred from Astorbelt to Charles Banks.
- One child entered F. Y. I. (which doesn't have a bachelor's degree program) in the same year that another child switched from Y. U. Bringham to Hartnell.
- 8. A Prairie Dew University degree was conferred on Eustace in 1974.

Can you reconstruct the university careers of Euclid, Eugene, Eunice, Euphoria, and Eustace—including the dates of their stays at each institution?

ANSWERS, PAGE 60



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The star of this adventure story, ace reporter Horace Beam, may think he has free will, but you, the reader, are really pulling his strings. When Horace must choose a course of action, you decide it for him.

Each decision point holds two or more paths in which the narrative can proceed. Choose the correct one and the story continues to the next path; send Horace down the wrong road and the story comes to (often literally for

Beam) a dead end.

The narrative is composed of 45 numbered scenes, which, to avoid accidental cheating, run out of sequence. At each decision point, the option you choose will direct you to another numbered paragraph, so in following the plot you may have to jump from paragraph 6 to paragraph 32 to paragraph 14, and so on. If your choice is a wrong one, return to the paragraph you left (its number appears in brackets at the end of each "dead end" paragraph) and pick another path.

Your adventure begins at paragraph 1 below.

You, Horace Beam, Pulitzerprize-winning investigative reporter for the New York Times-Examiner, are sitting at your paperstrewn desk. Increasingly, behind a desk is where you prefer to be, rather than out risking your neck on a story. In fact, you are in contention for the prestigious position of executive editor, a job that offers more money and no legwork. You dream about spending the next few years giving orders to eager young reporters.

But until then you're taking orders from Sy Slug, national-desk edi-

tor, who also covets the executive editorship. The wily Slug calls you into his office to give you a choice of two assignments: 1) Check out a rash of UFO sightings in New Jersey, or 2) accompany the Mayor to Nepal, where he intends to become the first elected official to climb to the top of Mount Everest. Either assignment will remove you from the office just at the moment the next executive editor is likely to be chosen. You begin to hyperventilate.

If you accept the UFO story, go to paragraph 25. If you accept the Everest story, go to paragraph 7. If you refuse both stories, go to paragraph 21.

2 "I would never jeopardize my chances at entering Paradise for the sake of that magazine," he says hotly. "Maybe for *Playboy* (and then primarily for the articles), but certainly not for *Penthouse*." Benrashi is so outraged, he volunteers for your firing squad. He is a poor shot, but the other seven members hit the bull's-eye. [10]

Never has water tasted so sweet! You fill the vodka bottle and stagger on. The next day, passing Soviet

troops pick you up and take you to the city of Kandahar. From there you are sent to Moscow. KGB agents surmise you know something about the UFOs, but when you don't break under their interrogation, they threaten to send you to one of two places. (Thanks to glasnost, you have a choice.)

If you choose outer space, go to paragraph 20. If you choose Siberia, go to paragraph 15.

You scream for all you're worth, but no one hears. What they do hear is the mammoth avalanche caused by your shouts, which buries you under three tons of snow. Executive editor Slug delivers your funeral eulogy. [39]

Outside the building you are still stunned by what you saw. If you can find the mother ship and get to the bottom of this, you'll be able to write your own ticket at the Times-Examiner. As the Persian cat that led you into the building rubs against you, you wonder what Jim Fakir meant about running. Persian. Persia. Iran. Hold on, Fakir

didn't say "I ran." He said "Iran." Perhaps the mother ship is located in that center of Islamic fundamentalism.

If you head straight for Iran, go to paragraph 35.

If you first check on Morgan, the prospector who claimed to have seen an alien, go to paragraph 37.

You try frantically to outrace the shark to the surface. But swift, ravenous Jaws eats you in one gulp. However, you have the last laugh-your old Reeboks give it a bad case of indigestion. [38]

AND BLUE PERIL

> On the plane to Nepal, you sit next to Fred Glimp, a reporter from *Stain*, a sleazy tabloid sold in supermarkets. You nearly laugh in his face when he says that he's checking rumors that the Abominable Snowman has been seen on the slopes of Mount Everest, and that he wants an exclusive interview with the creature. In Katmandu, the yeti is no joke. Hizzoner, the Mayor, has trouble hiring sherpas because they, like the rest of the Nepalese, are terrified of the Abominable Snowman.

Later, you run into Glimp. With time to kill, you and he travel by yak-taxi to a monk who, it is said, knows something about the yeti. Inside a small temple on the outskirts of the city sits the ancient wise man, his skin like parchment, his eyes covered with cataracts. "I can tell you nothing unless you give my temple a \$500 contribution," he says, presenting a credit card machine. "Cash is acceptable." Glimp turns to you and whispers, "I forgot my Visa card; why don't you pay the man?"

If journalistic principles forbid your paying him, go to paragraph 39.

If you think the wise man's information about the yeti

You put the crystal in your pocket, withdraw money from the machine, and just make your flight. Go to paragraph 23.

You and Yuri split the final finger of the vodka. This provides momentary relief, but soon each of you overheats, faints, and dies of heat stroke. [14]

"Not only are you an infidel, you obviously sympathize with the Sunni sect and are doubtless an Iraqi spy." The Revolutionary Guard seizes you and during your imprisonment you lose track of time—as well as 20 pounds. One day your guard, Benrashi, whom you have befriended by regaling him with descriptions of cable TV and women without veils, orders you to stand and remain standing-you are to be blessed with the presence of the Ayatollah Khomeini. The aged religious leader bids everyone leave your

cell and harangues you in Farsi for an hour. Weary, you begin to topple and, to retain your balance, grab his beard. To your amazement, it tears right off, revealing the same blue skin as the Fakirs'. He angrily sticks the false whiskers back on, then commands Benrashi to take you out and have you executed. You must escape and get to the bottom of this alien conspiracy.

If you inform Benrashi that Khomeini is an alien from outer space, go to paragraph 41.

If you try to bribe Benrashi by saying you will get him a free subscription to Penthouse,

in a plain brown wrapper, go to paragraph 2.

You missed covering Mount St. Helens, but are now privileged to be standing on the site of the most powerful volcanic eruption since Krakatoa. Sadly, you can't file this exciting story, since the gushing lava melts your pencil, your notepad, and you. [20]

"Hi, I'm Clem," grins the snaggle-toothed driver. He's heading for Tucson, but first wants to stop at his house, an isolated, ramshackle home exuding a rank smell. "Pappy" and his two half-wit sons eagerly greet you. Clem says they'd like to have you for dinner. An instant later you're knocked to the floor and bound hand and foot, and when you hear the sound of a chainsaw starting up, you sickeningly comprehend that you are the main course. [29]

"You've got the psychic awareness of a flea, which is probably what you were in a previous life," she says, slinking away. Go to paragraph 23.

Although your foe doesn't have shoelaces (or shoes for that matter), he looks down. At the same time you drive your knee into his head, rendering him unconscious. The Afghans enjoy this and reward you with your life. However, it's not a great life: You are put to work digging for crystals alongside the Russian soldiers. You befriend Yuri, a young Soviet who tells you that these crystals are given to the "Iranians" in exchange for information about Russian troop movements. Since neither of you will survive, he doesn't mind telling you that the Soviets, hoping "to build a bridge of friendship to our intergalactic comrades, whose sympathies no doubt lie with the universal cause of socialism-and also maybe to borrow some high-tech weapons,' are hunting for the mother ship.

A week later a terrible dust storm blankets the camp, causing such confusion that you and Yuri escape into the desert. When the storm ends, you find yourselves lost in a landscape of endless sand. The only liquid available is a bottle of vodka Yuri has hidden from the Afghans. Despite rationing, after a week there is only a small amount left. The broiling sun leaves you both on the verge of heat stroke.

> If you drink the last bit of vodka, go to paragraph 9.

If you douse yourself with the vodka, go to paragraph 19.

You are shipped to a forced labor camp in the Gulag, a complex of poorly insulated huts housing dissident poets. Every day for the next 37 years, fellow prisoners recite to you their depressing verse. [3]

You surprise them by leaping onto a camel. The camel surprises you by refusing to budge. A sporting people, the Afghans allow

you to play buzkashi—a kind of polo. In their version of the game, however, your head serves as the ball. [26]

The path twists and turns and, cold and exhausted, The path twists and turns and, con-you collapse. A wet kiss awakens you. You are being licked by a rare Tibetan mountain goat, one that apparently has never before seen a human. Letting you climb on its back, the gentle creature carefully wends its way along hidden trails and narrow ledges until it wanders near the base camp, where the Mayor's climbing party has been searching for you. When you tell them you've seen the yeti, all but the sherpas and Glimp think you're suffering from altitude sickness. You begin to doubt your own sanity. Glimp is furious you didn't wake him so he could get that interview. "I won't forget this treachery," he snarls.

At the airport to catch a flight to New York, you spot a E Stain headline: WORLDWIDE INVASION OF UFO'S. MOUNTAIN CLIMBER CLAIMS THE ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN IS ALIEN FROM OUTER SPACE. These are among the topics to be discussed tomorrow at a UFO conference in San Francisco. A gathering of nutcakes? Or will they corroborate your extraordinary experience? You must find out. The next morning, in San Francisco, you run into Glimp



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in your hotel lobby. To apologize for his outburst, he wants to show you a great discovery-evidence that Big Foot (whom he wants to interview) lurks near Sausalito.

If you travel to Sausalito, go to paragraph 22.

If you don't want to miss the opening speaker at the convention, go to paragraph 31.

Beach you duck down a street and run into a game of bocce. To blend into the scene, you ask to play, but due to your poor throwing technique, the killer easily spots you. Before he can close in, you toss the iron bocce ball at his head, knocking him out. "Bravo!" cry the players. A badge in the unconscious man's pocket identifies him as a member of military security, Los Altos Military Base, Arizona. Maybe Franklin was telling the truth.

Throughout the city, as well as at the airport, you observe aging hippies selling harmonic crystals that supposedly have the power to heal. This New Age stuff is a recent phenomenon with many fervent followers. Takes all kinds. A poor old woman approaches you: "Need a crystal? This is genuine Afghan crystal, the finest you can buy. Please, sir, I need the money." Buying it means you'll have to get more money from an automatic bank teller to pay for your flight, and you might miss the next plane to Tucson. But you feel sorry for the pathetic crone.

If you buy the crystal, go to paragraph 8.

If you don't buy the crystal, go to paragraph 13.

Yuri can't resist drinking his share and quickly succumbs to heat stroke. By dripping the vodka on your face and arms, the cooling alcohol allows you to climb the next dune. In the distance are two oases.

If you crawl to the one on the right, go to paragraph 3.

If you crawl to the one on the left, go to paragraph 30.

To test the effects of a lifetime of weightlessness on a slightly overweight American reporter, they send you to the Russian space center, the Baikonur Cosmodrome, where you are placed on an enormous rocket and launched into space. Hours later, you dock with a small Soviet space station. "Welcome aboard, Comrade," smiles Natasha, a shapely cosmonaut. "At home please make yourself."

Natasha spends hours scanning earth with infrared spy devices, recording various scientific observations: that a change in migration patterns of the baleen whale is taking them farther than usual from the Tuamotu Archipelago in the South Pacific; that Greenland's glaciers are melting at an increased rate; that killer bees are entering Mexico. Interesting facts, but claustrophobia is setting in and you are itching to get back to your story. While listening to Natasha, an escape plan forms. Turning on the charm, you whisper to her how sexy she looks, even in a space suit. Perhaps because there's no other man within 17,000 miles, Natasha quickly falls for you. You convince her to defect, and she plots a course for Hawaii in the emergency escape vehicle. Just before taking off, you push her back into the space station, lock the hatch, and press the launch button. The capsule lands in the ocean, where a boat picks you up and takes you to Honolulu. The first order of business is to wire your newspaper for money. The second is to relax at Bill's Surf Club. Sipping a pineapple daiquiri, you overhear a fisherman tell the bartender that American submarines and Russian trawlers have clashed near Christmas Island. The scuttlebutt is that the trawlers carry scientific equipment. You suspect both nations are looking for the mother ship in the South Pacific. Suddenly you recall that baleen whales are avoiding the area of Tuamotu. Whales are mammals and, like humans, would be affected by the mother ship's large-scale pest-away field. But the Tuamotu Archipelago covers a lot of territory—how can you narrow it down? Pieces of news concerning two small islands in the Archipelago may hint at the answer: Smoke and rumblings have been observed on Marakaui. And, according to rumors, the natives of Samakinta island have adopted a strange new religion.

If you sail to Marakaui, go to paragraph 11.

If you sail to Samakinta, go to paragraph 38.

Since you've managed leaving town, you're working late However, you can't resist the temptation to sneak into the publisher's office to search for memos relating to the executive editor's job. Although the lights are off, when you push open his inner door, you see that the publisher is also working late—with his pretty secretary. He screams at you to get out. The next day

# Flopcorn vs. Popcorn





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you learn that the job has gone to Slug, who promptly gives you one last order-to clean out your desk and leave the premises by noon. [1]

Glimp drives you to Sausano, but had all Golden Gate Bridge he says he's feeling sick and pulls the car into an emergency lane. He leans over the guard rail. When you offer assistance, he grabs you by your jacket and throws you over the side of the bridge. Too bad you never learned how to swim. Glimp tells the police that he tried without success to stop your suicide leap. [17]

Crystal or no crystal, you arrive in Factorial Crystal Crystal or no crystal, you arrive in Factorial Crystal Crys the entrance of a military base. You park half way up this road and walk the rest of the way. The base is surrounded by an electrified fence interrupted only by a manned sentry post. How do you get in?

If you employ the tried and true "short circuit the fence and when someone comes to investigate knock him out and put on his uniform and boldly pass the sentry" entry meth-

od, go to paragraph 29.

If you dig under the fence at night, go to paragraph 32.

"Ahem, excuse me folks, but I'm a reporter and would like to ask you a few questions." You loosen the grating and drop into their room. They say nothing but tap one of the crystals, which has on you the same effect as taking six Quaaludes. Two days later a camera flash snaps you awake in a motel bed beside a naked woman. The photo ends up on the cover of *Stain*. "That's not the image our executive editor should present," says your publisher, handing you your walking papers. The only publication to offer you a job is Stain, which starts you as assistant to the new executive editor—Glimp. [43]

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Waiting outside the craft, you hear one alien say to another (luckily they are speaking English), "Hey, Bra(//gf, you forgot to turn on the Anti-Mammal Pest-Away." You hear a switch click and instantly feel acute nausea. You stumble from the ship, and a hundred yards away the sick feeling abruptly subsides. Obviously, this neural irritant is employed to keep people away from the ship. The Afghans have learned this lesson, for they leave a sack filled with raw crystals at the perimeter of the Pest-Away field. Several aliens in the guise of Iranians haul the bags back to the ship before it flies west.

At dawn, you survey the camp of the Afghan rebels, noting that Russian prisoners are mining a barren hill under the eye of mujahedin guards. Famished, you also note the smell of roasting goat, and in trying to steal some tidbits, you are captured. The leader of the Afghans declares that you must fight for your life. Armed with a knife and encircled by grinning guerillas, you face your opponent, Mustafa Ali. When he makes a few expert, preliminary feints with the blade, you, who have trouble carving the Thanksgiving turkey, nearly faint.

If you try to escape, go to paragraph 16. If you beg for mercy, go to paragraph 40.

If you tell Ali his shoelaces are untied, go to paragraph 14.

"You obviously sympathize with our Shiite sect. Despite being an infidel, we will hold this in your favor when we try you for spying." You are trundled off to jail, but not only aren't you tortured, you are given a lenient life sentence instead of death! [35]

You hop on the skateboard and, while looking back for the killer, start to accelerate downhill. When you turn around, you're facing a series of awesome switchbacks: You're on famed Lombard Street, the "crookedest street in the world." On the second sharp curve, you fly off the skateboard and sail headfirst into the curb, cracking an ankle. When the killer catches up and slowly pulls the trigger, your broken ankle hardly seems worth worrying about. [31]

As usual, this works like a charm, hadding a hangar at the center of which is a platform holding a hangar at the center of which is a platform holding a large object covered by a canvas sheet bearing the stenciled words "Alf Catcher." You lift a corner of the canvas and peer underneath: It's a flying saucer! The dialogue of two officers nearby doubles your astonishment: "Still no luck finding any other vessels, but I'm sure there's a mother ship down somewhere, loaded with neat weaponry. Not to mention aliens running around loose. We'd just better make sure we beat the Russians to it." "You got that right. A prospector named Morgan claims to have seen a blue-skinned man near where we found the saucer, but how can you trust a lush's powers of observation?" Suddenly, they notice you copying down their comments in a notepad and call for security. An alarm goes off and you dash back to your car, change clothes, and speed away. Swooping behind you, a helicopter fires an air-to-surface missile, making scrap of your car. Having dived from the car just in time, you stumble to the main highway. You'd better hitch out of there as fast as possible. You stick out your thumb and, incredibly enough, two cars stop at the same time.

If you get into the pickup truck, go to paragraph 12. If you get into the Honda, go to paragraph 43.

The farther forward you stagger, the farther away The farther forward you stagged, the oasis recedes. Too late it becomes clear that it is a mirage. The vultures dine well that afternoon. [19]

The convention turns up no credible information, just endless tales of abductions by blue-skinned space aliens with a predilection for giving their captives embarrassing medical exams. You retire to the cash bar for a jigger of sanity, but a red-haired man spots your press badge: "My name is Skellin Franklin and I'm no kook. The U.S. Army has captured a real UFO and is studying it at a secret military base in Arizona. I stumbled on the place while researching a book on the connection between Big Foot and UFOs. I'm sure someone is watching me. I'll tell you more on the way back to my hotel.'

He sounds like a paranoid schizophrenic, but his hotel is on the same block as yours, and he may prove an entertaining companion. On the avenue, you notice a car following you. Suddenly, it pulls up and a man brandishing a gun leaps out and without a word fires a shot into Franklin's head. When he points his pistol at you, you flee. You're about to turn down the next cross-street when you notice an unattended skateboard one block farther down.

If you run down the first street, go to paragraph 45.

If you ride the skateboard down the next street, go to paragraph 28.

You buy a shovel and return at dusk. After digging several feet down your metal shovel clangs against

as a reporter, ask him if anyone has seen strange ships in the sky. He eyes you suspiciously and answers with another question: "Do you believe Ali is the first or fourth successor of Mohammed?" A muttering crowd awaits your reply.

If you say fourth, turn to paragraph 10. If you say first, turn to paragraph 27.

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borrow a canoe, paddle out several miles, and, beneath the crystal clear water, spy an enormous metallic mass. Too jubilant to remove your clothes, you dive down and discover the mother ship. Tempering your joy is the sight of a great white shark gliding your way. To escape it, you must enter the alien ship, but, with the exception of a single slot, the hull is smooth.

If you bought the crystal in San Francisco, go to paragraph 34.

If you didn't buy the crystal in San Francisco, go to paragraph 6.

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you learn that the job has gone to Slug, who promptly gives you one last order-to clean out your desk and leave the premises by noon. [1]

Glimp drives you to Sausalito, but midway across the Golden Gate Bridge he says he's feeling sick and pulls the car into an emergency lane. He leans over the guard rail.

When you offer assistance, he gr. throws you over the side of the learned how to swim. Glimp tel without success to stop your suice

Crystal or no crystal, you a rented car to Los Altos, wh tendant points out a nearly hidde the entrance of a military base this road and walk the rest of the ed by an electrified fence interrul try post. How do you get in?

If you employ the tried and tr and when someone comes to inve put on his uniform and boldly pa od, go to paragraph 29.

If you dig under the fence at 1

"Ahem, excuse me folks, by like to ask you a few quest ing and drop into their room. The of the crystals, which has on you six Quaaludes. Two days later awake in a motel bed beside a nalup on the cover of Stain. "That's tive editor should present," say you your walking papers. The onl job is Stain, which starts you as tive editor—Glimp. [43]

After interviewing people in Jersey who claim to have witnessed UFOs hovering article at their expense. Slug runs the piece, slyly neglecting to mention that one of the UFO spotters is the wife of the paper's biggest advertiser. The husband threatens to take his business to a rival paper unless you're fired. You're fired. [1]

Waiting outside the craft, you near another (luckily they are speaking English), "Hey, another (luckily they are speaking English), "Hey, another Anti-Mammal Pest-Bra(//gf, you forgot to turn on the Anti-Mammal Pest-Away." You hear a switch click and instantly feel acute nausea. You stumble from the ship, and a hundred yards away the sick feeling abruptly subsides. Obviously, this neural irritant is employed to keep people away from the ship. The Afghans have learned this lesson, for they leave a sack filled with raw crystals at the perimeter of the Pest-Away field. Several aliens in the guise of Iranians haul the bags back to the ship before it flies west.

At dawn, you survey the camp of the Afghan rebels, noting that Russian prisoners are mining a barren hill under the eye of mujahedin guards. Famished, you also note the smell of roasting goat, and in trying to steal some tidbits, you are captured. The leader of the Afghans declares that you must fight for your life. Armed with a knife and encircled by grinning guerillas, you face your opponent, Mustafa Ali. When he makes a few expert, preliminary feints with the blade, you, who have trouble carving the Thanksgiving turkey, nearly faint.

If you try to escape, go to paragraph 16.

If you beg for mercy, go to paragraph 40. If you tell Ali his shoelaces are untied, go to paragraph 14.

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possible. You stick out your thumb and, incredibly enough, two cars stop at the same time.

If you get into the pickup truck, go to paragraph 12. If you get into the Honda, go to paragraph 43.

The farther forward you stagger, the farther away the oasis recedes. Too late it becomes clear that it is a mirage. The vultures dine well that afternoon. [19]

The convention turns up no credible information, just endless tales of abductions by blue-skinned space aliens with a predilection for giving their captives embarrassing medical exams. You retire to the cash bar for a jigger of sanity, but a red-haired man spots your press badge: "My name is Skellin Franklin and I'm no kook. The U.S. Army has captured a real UFO and is studying it at a secret military base in Arizona. I stumbled on the place while researching a book on the connection between Big Foot and UFOs. I'm sure someone is watching me. I'll tell you more on the way back to my hotel."

He sounds like a paranoid schizophrenic, but his hotel is on the same block as yours, and he may prove an entertaining companion. On the avenue, you notice a car following you. Suddenly, it pulls up and a man brandishing a gun leaps out and without a word fires a shot into Franklin's head. When he points his pistol at you, you flee. You're about to turn down the next cross-street when you notice an unattended skateboard one block farther down.

If you run down the first street, go to paragraph 45.

If you ride the skateboard down the next street, go to

paragraph 28.

You buy a shovel and return at dusk. After digging several feet down your metal shovel clangs against metal and with a 12,000-volt jolt, you discover that the electrified fence extends many feet into the ground. Before expiring, your life flashes before your eyes like a movie; you think Siskel and Ebert would give it two thumbs down. [23]

Inside you wander into a room containing the ship's picto-library. You press a button and instantly the ultimate meaning of existence and the universe is revealed. This information makes the job of executive editor—and your life—seem so pointless, you eventually leap off the roof of the *Times-Examiner* building. [41]

You take the crystal out of your pocket and insert it in the slot. A hatch slides opens and you swim in. Seconds later water drains from the chamber and a blue-skinned being approaches. "Take me to your leader," you joke, but get no laugh. "We have observed your efforts," he says, "and they deserve an explanation. We are Xzefghorts. On a 20-eon mission to explore the Third Worlds of the known universe, of which your planet is a prime example, we ran into engine trouble and crashed here. The energy that runs our ship is emotion, pure passion gathered by specially treated crystals, which act as condensors. These crystals were damaged in the crash, and new ones had to be mined here.

"A great deal of emotion is needed to fuel a ship of this size. On our planet this passion is gathered from a certain species of animal. But on your planet, the strongest sources of emotion are religious and political zealots. To stimulate and collect the fervor they produce in their followers, we have posed as religious leaders in many nations—the Fakirs, Verbal Roberts, Reverend Sun, the Ayatollah Khomeini, Guru Mahashisati, and many others. We started the New Age movement, and (this was simple) inspired the UFO craze; I myself have played the Abominable Snowman and Big Foot. We have infiltrated the contras and Sandinistas, the IRA and the Protestants in Northern Ireland; we are in the Middle East, the Basque region, Sri Lanka, and everywhere else nationalism stirs deep feelings. For the last few years we have been behind nearly every new movement, converting raw, naked faith into power. Now our faith condensors are full and though we've had some laughs on your planet, it's time to shove off." "What about me?" you ask planet, it's time to shove off." nervously. "No problem, we'll give you a lift home." The ship rises out of the water and zips over to New York, letting you off in Central Park. "Have a nice day," waves a departing Xzefghort. The sight stuns even the most blasé New Yorkers.

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as a reporter, ask him if anyone has seen strange ships in the sky. He eyes you suspiciously and answers with another question: "Do you believe Ali is the first or fourth successor of Mohammed?" A muttering crowd awaits your reply.

If you say fourth, turn to paragraph 10. If you say first, turn to paragraph 27.

Leaping onto a cable car brings only temporary security, because the killer's car is right behind it. At the Wharf, you jump off and run into an ice cream parlor in Ghirardelli Square. Surely he won't try something in this crowded store. The killer follows you in and you cry out when he pokes his gun in your side. Thinking this is typical San Franciscan street theater, the customers laugh. The killer forces you into the back room, where a large ice-cream maker is in operation. He clunks you on the head and pushes you in, and a short time later it churns out the world's newest ice cream flavor—Horace Ripple. [45]

You learn that prospector Morgan lives in a shack several miles outside of Los Altos. No one's home. You peer into the darkness of a nearby mine shaft and call out Morgan's name, but no one answers. Entering the shaft, you walk cautiously for fifty yards until you notice the light from the entrance has suddenly dimmed. Turning around, you see the silhouette of a burly man with a pickax. "Them government guys said you'd snoop around, trying to steal my gold. Said they'd buy me a condo in Phoenix if I did this." His ax swings against a wooden support beam before you can protest, and the roof collapses, sealing you in. As the oxygen runs out, you hallucinate that E.T. has come to save you. [5]

At the center of island is an enormous blue-skinned idol carved from stone, behind which is a row of crystals. A native explains that these new gods emerged from the "bad sick" water beyond the coral reef. This is the last piece of the puzzle. Swallowing a few Dramamine pills, you borrow a canoe, paddle out several miles, and, beneath the crystal clear water, spy an enormous metallic mass. Too jubilant to remove your clothes, you dive down and discover the mother ship. Tempering your joy is the sight of a great white shark gliding your way. To escape it, you must enter the alien ship, but, with the exception of a single slot, the hull is smooth.

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third camp. The sherpas are edgy that night, but everyone sleeps soundly—except you. Remembering what the guru said, you squirm out of your sleeping bag, step over Glimp, and climb up a trail. Around the next bend, behind a large boulder, is—stop the presses!—the Abominable Snowman, a large shaggy creature, looming over four delicate crystals. Instantly an ex-sceptic, you tremble with fear and excitement. The crystals begin vibrating; a smell of ozone singes the air. You run back to camp to get a camera, but lose your footing and slide down some scree, hitting your head. When you regain consciousness, you're on a precarious ledge, one step from oblivion.

If you follow some animal footprints up the ledge, go to

paragraph 17.

If you hike down the ledge, go to paragraph 42. If you sit tight and shout for help, go to paragraph 4.

(You are softer than a woman, cowardly as a jackal,"

says Ali scornfully. He takes his knife and performs a quick operation on you. Having lost all drive and ambition, you happily serve as Ali's eunuch for the rest of your life. [26]

Benrashi, it turns out, is president of the local chapter of the Iranian UFO society. He claims to have seen UFOs hovering around Tehran at night, and suspects Khomeini isn't kosher: "He has changed recently, become more forceful in bringing the emotions of the people to a boil, far too vigorous for a man his age." After Benrashi allows you

to escape, you wander the streets. Feet aching, you sit down at a yogurt stand, and watch a waiter talk to another customer. The waiter points to a mosque across the street and makes a spinning motion. The customer gestures that the waiter is crazy. Maybe not so crazy. That night, huddled in a doorway long after the muezzin has called, you watch the mosque. Your patience is rewarded when you see the top half of the mosque silently rise and fly east. By morning, the dome has returned and settled back seamlessly atop the mosque.

The next night you enter the empty mosque and see that the dome is boarded from sight, seemingly for reconstruction. You climb up a scaffold, push back the boards, and behold the curved bottom of a small flying saucer camouflaged as a dome. Without noise or vibration, the ship ascends. You grab a bar running along its hull and hold on tight as the ship streaks toward Afghanistan. "Here I am, dangling from a flying saucer," you think with some asperity. "This is exactly why I want out of this job." Soon the ship lands at the edge of the Kash desert. A hatch slowly opens and orange light pours out.

If you cautiously wait by the open hatch, go to paragraph 26.

If you bravely enter the craft, go to paragraph 33.

The path takes you partway down the side of the mountain, but it ends in a sheer cliff, still leaving you one step from oblivion. Go to paragraph 39.

An earnest young woman drives you as far as her destination, Faith & Fun, a religious theme park. She takes you past the rides—the Tunnel of Spiritual Love, the Holy Roller Coaster, the Heavenly Ferris Wheel—to an amphitheater filled to capacity. The park, she gushes with the conviction of the newly converted, is the work of Tim and Fannie Fakir, "the bestest evangelists in the world, you'll love 'em to death." Why are so many evangelists suddenly on the scene? you ponder.

Tim and Fannie's preaching rouses the crowd to a fever pitch exceeded only by crowds at Auburn-Alabama football games. Oddly, the electric atmosphere reminds you of your encounter with the yeti. Curiosity piqued, you try to interview the Fakirs. However, backstage is as impenetrable as a

fortress. But when you see a Persian cat slinking through a grating on the side of the theater, you yank open the grill and enter a ventilation shaft. Crawling on hands and knees, you reach a vent above the Fakirs' dressing room.

Peering down, two things strike you: Jim and Fannie are so heavily made up that their faces look grotesque and barely human. Moreover, lined up on a table are rows of large crystals, similar to those possessed by the yeti. You can't make out their conversation, but Jim seems to be talking about his running. Then he utters

distinctly, "They have the faith here, but it lacks the strength of those who are willing to die for it." The Fakirs rub their faces with towels to remove the makeup, and when they put down the towels you almost scream—their skin, their real skin, is blue. They're not human! A thousand questions arise: Why are these aliens pretending to be evangelists? Where is the mother ship? Is this the spearhead for an invasion of Earth?

If you interview the aliens, go to paragraph 24.

If you don't take the chance and instead shimmy out of the shaft, go to paragraph 5.

You hand the wise man cash. He smiles beatifically and says, "Doubtless there is plenty more where that came from." You must have bad karma, because four large monks proceed to beat you to a puree and take all your money. The *Times-Examiner* refuses to advance you any more cash, so you take to begging, eventually join an ashram, and die of malnutrition on a pilgrimage to the Dalai Lama. [7]

You race down the street, the killer pursuing you in his car. You don't know which way to turn.

If you head for Fisherman's Wharf, go to paragraph 36. If you head for North Beach, go to paragraph 18.



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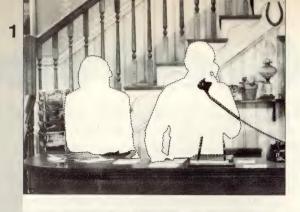
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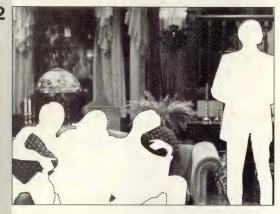
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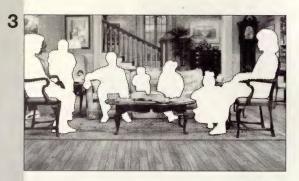
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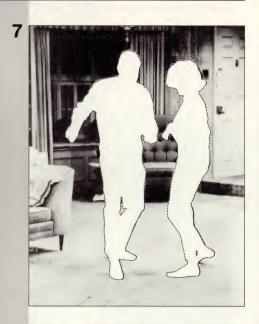


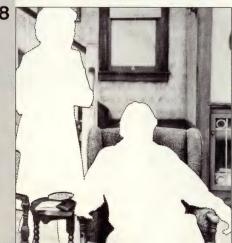




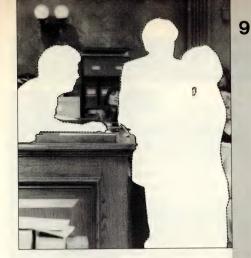


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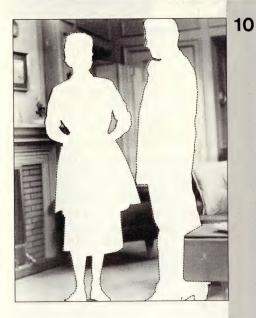


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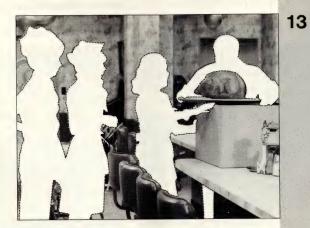
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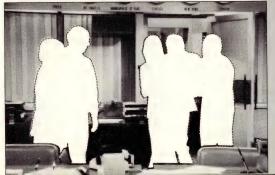












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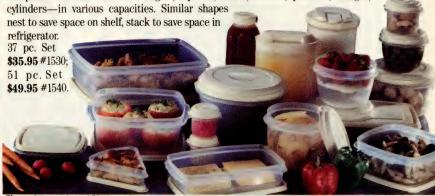
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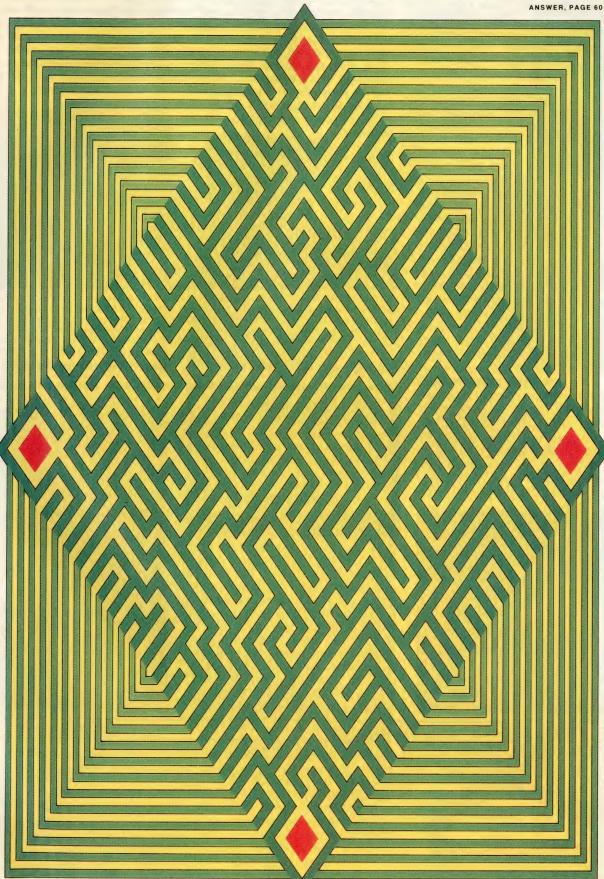
# **CLASSIC MOONPHASE**

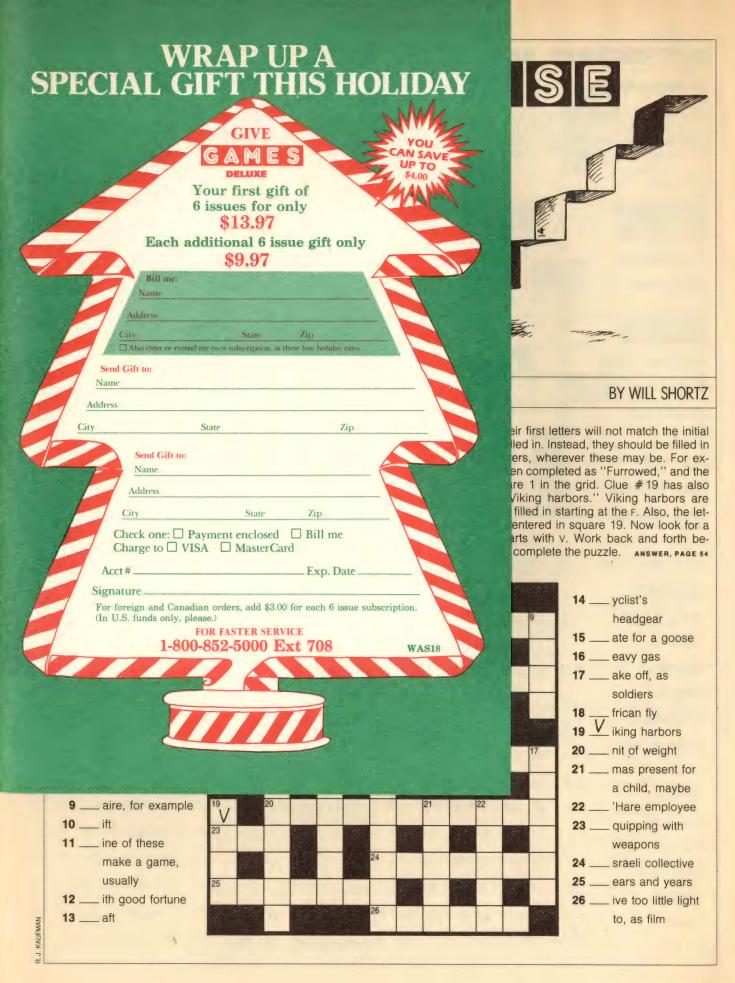
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# TWO F DIAMONDS \*\* BY ULRICH KOCH Connect any two of the four diamonds to complete this maze. Which two? That's part of the puzzle.







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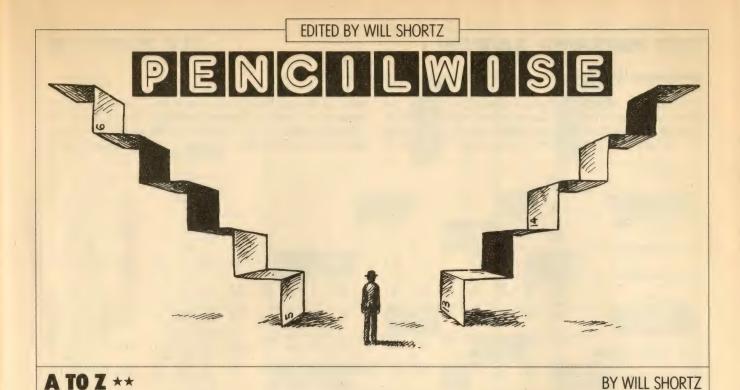
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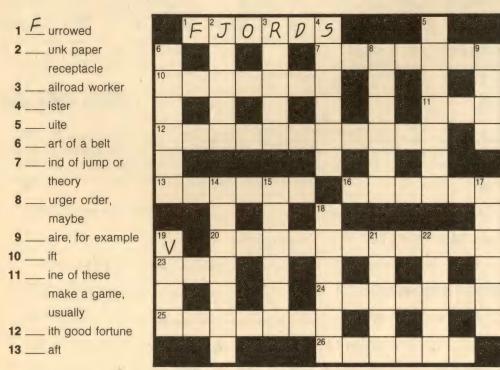


This crossword contains 26 clues, each of which begins with a different letter of the alphabet. These initial letters have been removed and replaced by blanks. First fill in as many of these initial letters as you can be sure of. Then enter these letters in the correspondingly numbered squares in the grid.

Next, answer as many of the completed clues as you can. Each of the 26 answer words *also* begins with a different letter of the alphabet—always different from the initial letter of its clue.

Answers cannot be entered at the corresponding numbers

in the grid, because their first letters will not match the initial letters you've already filled in. Instead, they should be filled in at the correct initial letters, wherever these may be. For example, clue # 1 has been completed as "Furrowed," and the letter F filled in at square 1 in the grid. Clue # 19 has also been completed as "Viking harbors." Viking harbors are FJORDS. So FJORDS gets filled in starting at the F. Also, the letter V from clue # 19 is entered in square 19. Now look for a clue whose answer starts with V. Work back and forth between grid and clues to complete the puzzle. ANSWER, PAGE 54



14	yclist's
	headgear
15	ate for a goose
16	eavy gas
17	ake off, as
	soldiers
	frican fly
19 V	iking harbors
20	nit of weight
21	mas present for
	a child, maybe
22	'Hare employee
23	quipping with
	weapons
24	sraeli collective
25	ears and years
26	ive too little light
	to, as film

# A Villainous Word Search

Commissioner Gordon flashes the Bat-Signal. When the Caped Crusader arrives, the Commissioner explains that 31 of Batman's most dastardly super-villains are all on the loose. No, they aren't in the deserted warehouse on the edge of

town . . . they're hiding in Batman's cowl below. As usual, answers may read horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, but always in a straight line. Can you save the citizens of Gotham City by corralling all the criminals?

ANSWER, PAGE 60

ARCHER	М																		^	
BLACK WIDOW	A	М																N.I.	A	
BOOK WORM	W	R	U														0	N	M	
CASSANDRA							_	0			_	_	0	_			G	0	N	
CATWOMAN	G	0	T	G		Н	E	G	P	U	E	E	S	T		Α	K	S	T	
CHANDELL	C	W	D	A	L	R	S	E	W	Н	F	0	M	P	S	L	1	Α	R	
CLOCK KING	A	K	S		R	E	N	R	Е	K	R	Α	Р	Α	М	Y	Ν	E	1	
COLONEL GUMM	Т	0	D	V	W	G	Ν	1	K	K	С	0	L	С	Н	1	G	L	D	
EGGHEAD	W	0	L	Α	U	K	С	0	1	Ν	S	Α	0	S	N	S	T	Ν	D	
FALSEFACE	0	В	В	1	Α	T	·C	Α	L	1	L	E	Н	T	E	I	U	0	L	
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LADY PEASOUP	Ν	Н							R	В	Α							С	R	
LOLA LASAGNA	Α	Α	Ν	С	Α	V	R	E	Ν	-1	М	Ν	0	L	L	1	Ν	L	Е	
LORD FOGG	R	Ν	S	D	Α	G	K	Ν	G	G	0	F	D	R	0	L	Ν	Α	T	
LOUIE THE LILAC	E	D	L	E	В	0	L	Α	Μ	1	N	S	Т	R	Е	L	X	$\vee$	Т	
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MARSHA	Z	L																L	D	
MINERVA	U	L																Е	Α	
MINSTREL	Р	1																В	М	
MR. FREEZE	Е	R																Α	С	
NORA CLAVICLE	E	Α																N	М	
OLGA <sup>*</sup>	D	D																R	E	
PENGUIN		Α	М														F	Т	_	
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# HOW SWEET IT IS! \*

# BY JANE MADDEN WELCH

18

# ACROSS

- \_\_-scarum
- 6 Remove, as one's hat
- 10 Lassie or Benji
- 13 Make a speech
- 14 Flute's relative
- 15 Good-bye signal
- 16 "Beat it!"
- 17 Pencil's middle
- 18 List entry
- 19 Jackie Gleason sitcom: 2 wds.
- 22 Wriggly fish
- 23 Driver's license and credit cards, for short
- 24 Regret
- 25 English poet John
- 28 Uses mouthwash
- 32 Discomfort
- 35 Word before year or frog
- 36 "Peanuts" girl: 2 wds.
- 41 White House's \_ Office
- 42 Players in "a cast of thousands"
- 43 From south of the border
- 46 Trouser leg measurement
- 50 Taxi
- 51 Restaurant bill
- 53 New: Prefix
- 54 '80s welterweight champion: 3 wds.
- 60 "The \_ thickens ..."
- 61 Norway's capital
- 62 Mrs. Eisenhower
- 63 Singer Murray
- 64 "... o'clock scholar": 2 wds.

- 65 Mr. T's series (with The)
- 66 Scrub cloth
- 67 Challenge
- **68** \_\_\_\_-Royce

# DOWN

1 Threw a party

19

43

60

- 2 Sagittarius's symbol
- 3 Once in a blue moon
- 4 Salt Lake City's state
- 5 Intraoffice note
- 6 Apportioned
- 7 Heeds 8 Cushion filler
- 9 Bogart-style hat
- 10 Social appointment
- 11 Once \_\_\_ lightly
- 12 Ruby and opal, e.g.
- 15 Goblet for burgundy
- 20 Forty-\_\_\_ (Gold Rush participant)
- 21 TV's \_ \_ Miss Brooks
- 26 Photocopy 27 L.A.-N.Y.C.
- direction: Abbr. 28 Agreeable chap
- 29 Allow
- 30 Chow down
- 31 James Bond, e.g.
- 33 "You said it, brother!"
- 34 Two tripled
- 36 Small, straighthaired dog, for
- 37 Adam's madam
- 38 Peace: Lat.
- 39 Cherokee or Apache, e.g.
- 40 Skillet
- 44 Auto
- 45 Overseas
- 47 Tooth coating
- 48 TV antenna

23

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- 49 Computer data transmission devices
- 51 Mary \_ Moore
- 52 By oneself
- 54 Ship's mast

65

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- 55 Bone next to the radius
- 56 Chinese percussion instrument
- 57 The Thin Man
- pooch 58 Gen. Bradley

ANSWER, PAGE 57

59 U.S.-Europe defense grp.: Abbr.

# HIS AND HERS \*

# BY ANDREA CARLA MICHAELS

This guiz doesn't discriminate on the basis of sex. The answer to each clue is a word, name, or phrase beginning with either HIS or HER. For example, the clue "Naughty Marietta composer Victor" would lead to the answer HERBERT, while

1. Mythological strongman \_\_\_\_\_

2. "Chocolatetown, U.S.A." 3. Record of past events \_\_\_\_\_

4. Avis's rental rival \_\_\_\_\_

5. Plant-eating \_\_\_\_\_

6. Latin American, for example \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Messenger of the Greek gods \_\_\_\_\_ TAMINE. If the pronouns give you pronounced difficulties, you can find all the answers on page 54.

"Compound suppressed by allergy medicines" would be HIS-

8. Beef cattle variety \_\_\_\_\_

9. Haiti's island \_\_\_\_\_

10. Leningrad art gallery \_\_\_\_\_

11. Pulitzer-winning political cartoonist \_\_\_\_\_

12. '50s spy figure Alger \_\_\_\_\_

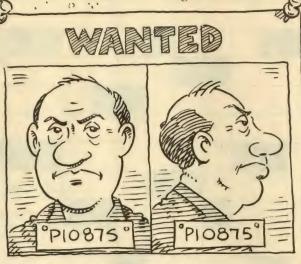
13. Theatrical acting \_\_\_\_\_

14. "I'm Henry VIII, I Am" singers \_\_\_\_\_

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The FBI is about to perform a sting against some dangerous criminals. Agents mailed each crook below a free invitation to a movie screening, hoping to nab all four unawares when they show up at the theater. You've been called in on the case at the last minute. A senior official shows you pictures of

the four criminals and gives you just 60 seconds to study them before rushing to the theater (see page 30). There, you must pick out the slimebuckets in the crowd before they go inside. Arrest an innocent person and you've got a million-dollar lawsuit on your hands.



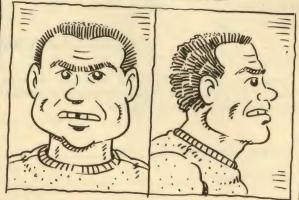
Arch N. Emmy

Bank Robbery. Kidnapping. Double Parking.



Jack L.N. Hyde Counterfeiting. Fraud. Spitting.

# WARTED



Tommy Gunn

Murder Extortion. Littering.

Manual Company of the Company of the

WARTED



Ben D. Rules

Extortion. Loansharking. Sniveling.

PHIL SCHEUEF

# A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW \*\*

# BY KEITH SMITH

16

19

# ACROSS

- 1 Revolving cylinder
- 6 "It's \_\_\_!" (hospital cry): 2 wds.
- 10 \_\_\_\_ facto
- 14 Beyond what's called for
- 15 Jotted comment
- 16 Computer input
- 17 Foundation
- 18 "Cheerio!"
- 19 Quod \_ demonstrandum
- 20 Two of the nine: 2 wds.
- 23 ... And Justice \_ (Pacino movie): 2 wds.
- 26 Wonderful, in teen 6 Totally opposed slang
- 27 Nod's meaning
- 28 Rink surface
- 29 The Wind in the Willows hero
- 32 Guy's date
- 34 Three more of the nine: 3 wds.
- 39 Feeds one's face
- 40 Hubbub
- 41 Letters of debt
- 43 Two more of the nine: 2 wds.
- 48 Sloth, envy, or pride
- 49 "Whip It" band
- 50 Four- or five-star officer: Abbr.
- 51 Raises the bet 54 Psychic's "sense"
- 56 Current unit
- 58 Two more of the nine: 2 wds.

- 62 Harrow rival
- 63 Qatar native
- 64 Coat flap
- 68 Mob scene
- 69 Folksinger Seeger 70 Extreme
- 71 Fly a one-man plane
- 72 Burpee offering
- 73 Get \_\_\_ (Don Adams show)

# DOWN

- 1 Massage
- 2 \_\_\_ roll (doing well): 2 wds.
- 3 Six-point scores for short
- 4 Seance board
- 5 Consequences
- to
- 7 Scow or dhow, e.g.
- 8 Playful mammal
- 9 "It was many and many a \_ Poe, 2 wds.
- 10 Preconception
- 11 Fend off
- 12 Governor's jurisdiction
- 13 "Egad!" and "Forsooth!"
- 21 Water droplet's sound
- 22 Wax-coated
- 23 Lincoln's bill
- 24 Arctic, for one
- 25 French income 30 Thicke, of
- Growing Pains
- fancily)

- cheese

- 31 \_\_\_ up (dressed
- 33 Not clerical
- 35 Express Mail deliverer:

25 .

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- Abbr. 36 Heavy volume
- 37 Cheek colorer
- 38 More certain 42 "Auld Lang \_
- 44 Cake layer
- 45 Opens, in a way

18

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- 46 John, Welsh-style
- 47 Remus's twin
- 51 Addicts 52 Cookout setting
- 53 Milkmaid's seat
- 55 Thick vegetable SOUD
- 57 Hymn from the Bible
- "Do \_\_\_ others
- 60 Assign G, PG, R,

ANSWER, PAGE 54

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- 61 Retired for the night
- 65 School service grp.
- 66 Blunder 67 Longitude's
- partner: Abbr.

# **COMMON ELEMENTS** ★☆

BY GARY DISCH

The answer words in each pair below have two things in common: Both are members of the same category (like trees, actors, etc.), and both contain an identical three-letter sequence. Fill in the blanks in each pair with the same three letters in the same order to get the words. For example, given the pair CAB \_\_\_ E and RUTA \_\_\_ A, you'd add BAG to get CAB-BAGE and RUTABAGA, both vegetables. How many of the following common elements can you identify? ANSWERS, PAGE 56

1. S V	VE_		N	IARK
2	L		T	Z

3. SUP\_\_\_OR \_\_\_\_E

EL\_\_\_\_N 4. S \_\_\_\_ N

5. S \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_DOCK

7. \_\_\_\_ C E

6. S\_\_\_\_PIO

CAPRI\_\_\_N P\_\_\_\_D

8. B \_\_\_\_ Z E

9. S \_\_\_\_ M

R\_\_\_IGH

10. V E \_\_\_\_\_

URA\_\_\_\_

11. \_\_\_\_ S S 12. G \_\_\_\_ T S

\_\_\_\_CKERS IND\_\_\_S

\_\_\_\_ HUR

13. \_\_\_\_ C H

14. C \_\_\_\_ ER

# **HOW IS YOUR SENSE OF PERSPECTIVE? ★☆**

# An Observation Test

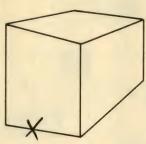
Perspective is the illusion of three-dimensional depth in a two-dimensional drawing. With perspective, an ellipse can appear to be a circle, and lines drawn at an angle can give the illusion of being parallel. The ability to evaluate perspective is an essential element of artistic skill. It is especially important in any field that requires exact observation, like art, drafting, engineering, archeology, etc.

The test below was developed in 1927 by Dr. Alfred S.

Lewerenz to measure a person's sense of perspective. Each of the drawings has one or more problems with perspective. Mark the incorrect line or lines with an X. In the example, the drawing of the cube has one line drawn at the wrong angle. This line has been marked with an X.

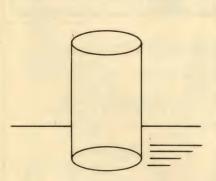
Give yourself 15 minutes to complete the test. When the time's up, turn to page 56 to check the answers and compute your score.

Ex. Mark with an X the line on the cube that is drawn at the wrong angle.

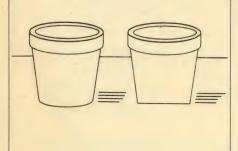


1. Mark with an X the line that is

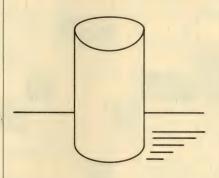
wrong in the drawing of the tin can.



2. Mark with an X the edge of the flowerpot that is incorrectly drawn.



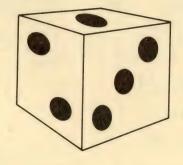
3. Mark with an X the edge of the cylinder that is incorrectly drawn.



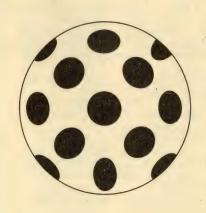
4. Mark with an X the object that is incorrectly drawn.



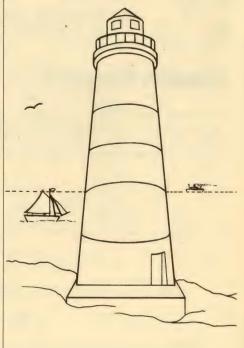
5. Mark with an X each of the three round spots on the cube that are incorrectly drawn.



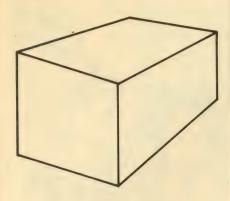
6. Mark with an X each of the three round spots on the child's ball that are incorrectly drawn.



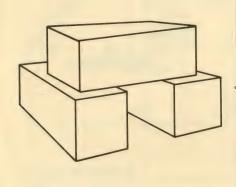
7. Mark with an X each of the two incorrectly drawn lines around the lighthouse.



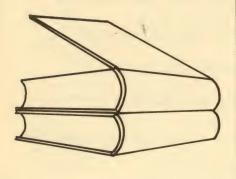
8. Mark with an X the edge of the box that is incorrectly drawn.



9. Mark with an X each of the three incorrectly drawn surfaces.



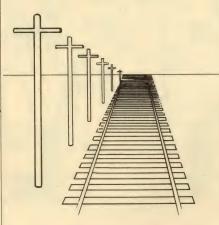
10. Mark with an X the edge of the book that is incorrectly drawn.



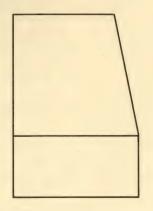
11. Mark with an X five incorrectly drawn parts of this building.



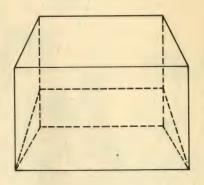
12. Mark with an X the rail of the railroad track that is incorrectly drawn. (Ignore the track ties.)



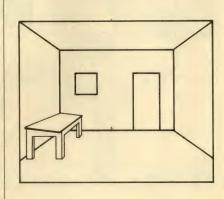
13. Mark with an X the edge of the box that is incorrectly drawn. Imagine that the center of the box is directly in front of you.



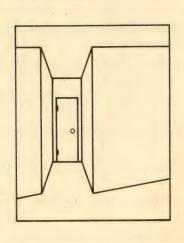
14. Mark with an X the horizontal line that does not belong in this transparent box.



15. Mark with an X any two untrue or incorrect lines in this drawing.

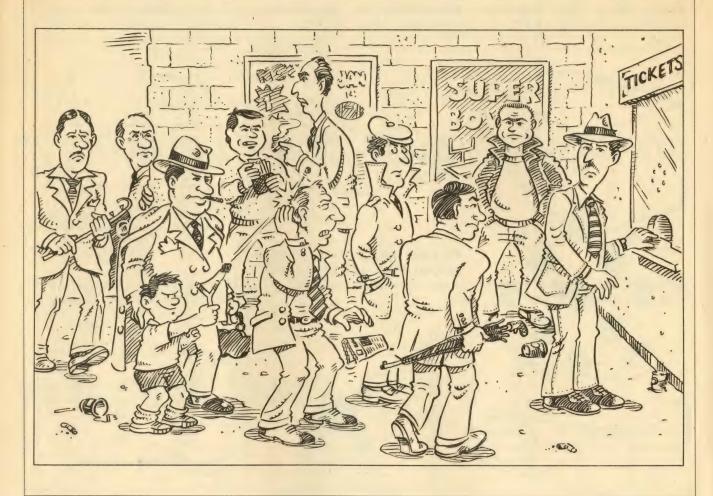


16. Mark with an X each of the two untrue or incorrect lines in this hall with connecting passage.



Can you pick out the FBI's four targets in the theater waiting area below? (See page 26 for instructions.)

ANSWER, PAGE 60



# AD-LIBS ★☆

# BY LOLA SCHANCER

We realize there have been a lot of corporate mergers lately, but this is ridiculous! Each of the strange-sounding slogans below is actually made of parts of two familiar ad lines, past or present. For example, the slogan "Only her hairdresser is ready when you are" is a combination of "Only her hair-

dresser knows for sure" (Clairol) and "Delta is ready when you are" (Delta Air Lines). Can you supply the two complete ad lines merged in each of the examples below? And for true commercial experts, can you name the company or product that uses (or used) each one?

ANSWERS, PAGE 54

- 1. Please don't squeeze the last drop.
- 2. Melts in your mouth, not around the collar.
- 3. Don't leave home in the driver's seat.
- 4. I'd walk a mile to you each morning.
- 5. When you care enough to touch someone.
- 6. Aren't you glad you made Milwaukee famous?
- 7. Let your fingers break today.

- 8. I can't believe I ate a piece of the rock.
- 9. It takes a tough man to make bugs dead.
- 10. Brush your breath with beer. And less.
- 11. When it rains, they don't check out.
- 12. Strong enough for a man, and built to stay that
- 13. Be all that satisfies you.
- 14. Nobody doesn't try harder.

### ACROSS

- 1 Hood's weapon
- 4 Souchong samples
- 8 Saw
- 13 Streetcar
- 17 Rajah's wife
- 18 Go \_ (proceed)
- 19 Woodworker's tool
- 20 Picture on a \$10,000 bill
- 21 Mammoth
- 22 Halo
- 23 Auguries
- 24 Slow, on staff?
- 25 Dieter's temptation
- 27 Breathing
- 29 What Gelett Burgess never did
- 31 Wizard's way?
- 34 Welles and Bean
- \_\_\_\_ Haute, Indiana
- \_ van der Rohe
- 37 Scarfs, e.g.
- 40 Pressed 42 Rail riders
- 43 Ambition
- 46 Topics for Dr. Ruth
- 48 A Little Rascal
- 49 Devil, in slang
- 50 Pretentious talk
- 51 Sweetie
- 52 Wheel of Fortune category
- 54 Tennis or bridge term
- 55 Belt constellation
- 56 Eskimo's wrap
- 58 With it
- 59 The Snowman in The Falcon and the Snowman
- 60 Valley guy
- 63 Civil rights figure Parks
- 67 Leading Soviet auto
- 68 Hersey title start
- 69 Cupolae
- 70 Architect from Canton, China
- 73 End of some bus. names
- 75 "A mouse!"
- 76 Drape holder
- 78 Ten times CCCLI 80 Longshoremen,
- e.g. 82 Harass
- 83 Landlord's man
- 84 Loving not wisely, but too well
- 85 Wally's brother
- 86 Most distant

88 Ages

98

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- 89 Subway entrance
- "True Colors" singer
- Series losers in '46, '67, '75 and '86
- 98 Frank
- 101 Yentl's instructor
- 102 Don of Hazel
- 103 Hallowed
- 104 Prop for Sweeney Todd
- 106 Slime
- 108 Superior: Ger.
- 109 German article
- 110 Adm. Byrd's story
- 111 "... with sugar
- 112 Carry on
- 113 \_\_\_\_ good example
- 114 Knight's horse 115 Concordes
- 116 A.M.A. folk

### DOWN

104

105

- 1 Maladroit
- 2 Fisherman
- 3 Start of a 1973 #1 song title 4 Belle, Bart, or
- Brenda
- 5 Debtor's letters
- 6 They're done by Hook or by crook
- 7 Pursued furtively
- 8 From the top: Lat.
- 9 Bearing 10 Blvd. crosser
- 11 4# leaders:
- Abbr. 12 Born Free
- lioness 13 Location for Zane Grey's
- Riders 14 Full of enmity
- 15 \_\_\_\_ Martin, James Bond's car

- 16 Cat calls
- 17 Butler of fiction
- 20 Irish county
- 26 Spaniard, e.g.
- 28 Part of the Treasury Dept.
- 30 Excites
- 32 1975 hit "\_\_\_\_ in Love'
- 33 Shortcoming
- 38 Like a dunce cap
- 39 Mr. Mom star 41 "\_\_\_ bodkins!"
- 42 Legendary
- Detroit ballplayer 44 Sleeve item?
- 45 Authorize 46 It's traditional
- 47 Poker declaration
- "Hot enough \_\_\_\_?''
  \_\_\_\_ Rio, Texas
- 49 \_ 50 1940s jazz

- 51 2001 computer
- 53 Drawing
- 56 Soothe
- 57 Playwright

111

- James and kin 60 Funnyman
  - Murray 61 Stock buy,
  - maybe 62 Kind
  - 63 Gatsby portrayer
  - 64 Arabian gulf
  - 65 Religious body 66 Query
  - 67 Easygoing 69 Estate
  - 70 Brit. leaders 71 Zoo bird 72 Lacking
  - discretion 74 Keats or Shelley,
  - e.g. 76 Mini-oven setting
  - 77 Columnist Kupcinet

- 79 Neptune's
- domáin Bestow power upon

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- 82 Stresses
- 84 Boat with oars
- 85 Goofs
- Sports events Cabaret lyricist
- Fred 90 Weather-map
- line 91 Sophia and others
- 92 Put forth
- 93 Some leaf parts 94 Half of an '80s
- TV team
- 96 Able to listen 97 Golden Boy
- playwright 99 History chapters
- 100 Sailor
- 105 Actress Caldwell
- 107 Prom night woe

Below are seven messages—consisting of pithy sayings, fascinating facts, and a cartoon gag-that have been translated into simple cipher alphabets. Letter substitutions remain constant throughout any one cipher, but change from one cipher to the next, and the level of difficulty increases as you progress. An asterisk (\*) indicates a proper noun or title.

Clues are given at the bottom of the page to provide assistarice if you need it. ANSWERS, PAGE 57

### 1. CRYPTOON

JTT GEX, PTIYB - NO JNTLWNJ CO COSO E FSEHY FEII! WLOBB CO'II NEKO JT WUKO JNEJ ZUIIUTH XTIIFSB JT BTZOTHO OIBO!



### 2. GRUNT WORK

"VH GL, VXL GHDV ILCMLWV DWCLLYIZNF LBLC UCQVVLY UQZZ OL HYL UHCK."-\*DFZBLDVLC \*DVNZZHYI

### 3. ONLY YOU

QVZXCNCF BJZX: N TCVBZXC'K XCCJC NOOXO ZWX "E" ZJ \*AVQQVNS \*GNQDBXC'K BNSX OECVBU TEPQVHNZVJB JG WVK GVCKZ PJJD.

### 4. TRULY BLUE

HTQ JNLJ \*OXLH NLO OVXHJ JSBX SH JNX \*VXHH, NX VITWLWYU YTHRO MTI NSO VIX-\*BLFTHHL FLUO.

### 5. FUNNY MONEY

CZUJD CR RHLTLUK UCEJTNG PYXLUJXX NDLJQ NHMLUK SLX ICBVHUG VYPTLI PYN ZCYUQ YV HX THYKSLUK XNCIM.

### 6. TELL IT TO THE JUDGE

LYYHAGXAZ TUSPHC XR UTSUPR RILCD LA KLEDISURI WHVUERH RIH LATP WEPR BUVJUZH TUWHTHG "DCXUT RXNH."

### 7. HIT AND MISS

YV OWDS ZDWR'K OWBWKN, VYDD VNWB ZAWVWZ SYWBVYWBK "VNWK ODWZC'K QAWDDWYBV!" YK NWK OYV AWPNV-NYBH SYB RYBK WV: "FNYV VAYKN!"

#### **TIPS AND CLUES**

gram.

Cipher 7: None of the three vowels E, O, or U appears in this crypto-Cipher 6: Use the first half of Cipher 2's hint here to find plaintext E. words, is the common suffix -ING. Cipher 5: Ciphertext pattern -LUK, which appears at the end of three

The most common word with this pattern is THAT. Cipher 4: Note ciphertext JNLJ, with its repeated first and last letters.

seuts the common plaintext pattern ER. word is usually S. Also: Bigram XC, appearing in four words, repre-Cipher 3: A single letter following an apostrophe at the end of a long or next-to-last position, is a good bet to be an E. Cipher 2: Ciphertext L, appearing 14 times, seven of them in the last

hint: Ciphertext E, which appears by itself, is plaintext A. Cipher 1: Compare ciphertexts JTT and JT. Try TOO and TO. Bonus

### CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS \*\*\*

Each clue in a cryptic crossword contains two parts: a definition of the answer and a second description of it through wordplay. Finding the dividing point between parts is the key to solving. Watch for anagrams, hidden words, charades of two or more smaller words, and other language tricks. Puzzle 2 is harder than Puzzle 1. ANSWERS, PAGE 57

#### PUZZLE 1 BY SCOTT MARLEY

### ACROSS

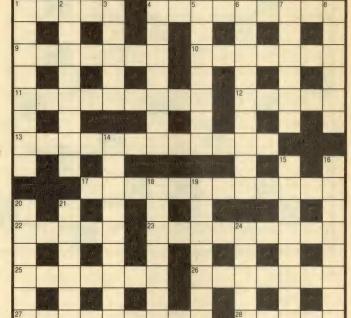
- 1 Pale brown morning near final third of September (5)
- 4 Vaudeville-in the style of Mr. Ives? (9)
- 9 Diatribes involving one in exchanges
- 10 Eccentric gets tin plate and utensils
- 11 Fifty-one scolded and set free (9)
- 12 Indian, for example, repaired canoe (5)
- 13 Cooking vessel on eeler's kitchen tool (6,6)
- 17 Resort Contaminated: Keep Out (2, 10)

- 22 Transmitters losing right, giving sign-off from Madrid (5)
- 23 Girls' magazine observed covering event (9)
- 25 Doctor they use to get sleep (7)
- 26 Candice Bergen consuming kind of lettuce (7)
- 27 | peter out. dancing in ballet movement (9)
- 28 Artsy, excited lecher (5)

### DOWN

- 1 Eland and ant run 16 Adolescent off together
- 2 Bad floundering in 18 Domesticate a Genesis watering hole (8)
- 3 Detection system that works both ways (5)

- 4 Where travelers wait to get kiss on top (3,4)
- 5 Remainder live outside university
- 6 Nomad in edited text becoming outgoing type (9)
- 7 Shake a case of arrows (6)
- 8 Locomotive's energy no good in east (6)
- 14 Bride's wardrobe is correct, so I hear (9)
- 15 Dine poorly on a penny-tasteless (8)
- spilling green tea
- skunk way down
- 19 Bill for where singer's talent is (7)
- 20 Feline's awakened



by what looks like blood (6) 21 Alcohol for an

affectionate puppy, you might say? (6)

24 Two-tone Edsel's interior is lacking (5)

#### **PUZZLE 2** BY LAWRENCE GRAY

### ACROSS

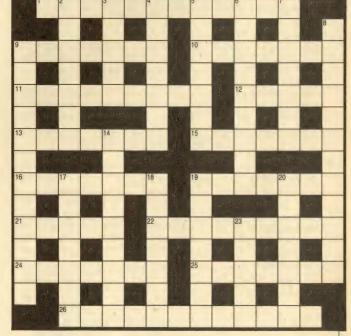
- 1 Lincoln, for one. to declare assets (5,7)
- 9 Imagine a wildcat returning after turning red (5,2)
- 10 Put too much strain on plain hatchet (7)
- 11 Foil and German fur (9)
- 12 Elevated home in a Pennsylvania city (5)
- 13 No longer stand for uncontrollably wild one (3,4)
- 15 Initially born free, then led under restraint (7)
- 16 Takes on a couple of hundred wild pets (7)
- 19 Twins tan their hides second (7)

- 21 Total fear after the first mistake (5)
- 22 Peter Pan flying around circle in some sheets (4.5)
- 24 In mystic rite, save honor (7)
- 25 Republican coworkers in political assemblies (7)
- 26 Mechanic to relieve friar clothed in grey (6,6)

### DOWN

- 2 Engineer altered foot-pedal (7)
- 3 Sports official to pay up (5)
- 4 Line from a picture-likely one to be in The Sting? (7)

- 5 Saw wanderer in lead (7)
- 6 Praise the unorthodox treatments
- 7 Word-for-word from volume by Mr. Capone
- 8 Costs rise up, extend trading (12)
- 9 Spies began loudest fighting (6,6)
- 14 Swing or pop song is suitable
- 17 Carol chases dog, using foul language (7)
- 18 Child profits from poetry (7)
- 19 Recess in semester includes one (7)
- 20 Advise of bad rip



in one area of church (7)

23 Tower captured by scrappy

Londoners (5)

Answer the clues for words to be entered on the numbered dashes. Then transfer the letters on the dashes to the correspondingly numbered squares in the puzzle grid to spell a quotation reading from left to right. Black squares separate

words in the quotation. Work back and forth between grid and word list to complete the puzzle. When you are done, the initial letters of the words in the word list will spell the author's name and the source of the quotation.

1P	2T		3B	4V	5A	6F	7M	8W	98		10H	111		12T	13C		14Q	15A	16F		17T	181	19H	20X
21P	22D	23U	16	24J	25T		26A	27F	28X	298	30D	31K		32H	33V	34W	35Q	36R	37L	38A	391	40E		410
42D	43T	44P	45B	46V	47F	48Y	49H	50N	511		52R	53L		54T	550	56Y		57Q	58D		59N	60F	61M	62T
	63K	64J	65X	661	67R	68B	69E	70T	100	71P	72H	73U	74A		75M	76N	771	780	diam'r.	79E	80N	81C		82S
83A	84F		85H	86D	87K	1	88Q	89S	901	910		92U	93X	94R	95F	- Color	96L	97H	980		99M	100K	1018	
102G	103V	104E	105U	100	1060	107P	108H		1091	110Y	111T	112U	113B		114N	115Y		116W	117K		118T	in in	119J	1201
121V	122U	_	123W	124L	125M	126G	127R	128P	129C		130N	131U	132Q		133L	134T	135D	136X	137W	138K	139U		140G	141
142B	143S	10	144H	145W		146Q		147C	148U	1490	150L	1511	152N	153Y	154G	155K	156P		157U	158H	159X	160B	161M	162
63Q	1	164N	165P	166D		167G	168K	1690	170X	171U	172B		173S	174N	175R		176Q	1770		178M	179F		180D	
81J	1821	183U	184W	185R	1860	187X	188G	189B		190V	191X	192J	193H	194L	195W	196R	awa.							

- A. Foe of the Green Knight, 5 15 74 26 38 83 in Arthurian legend B. The Meaning of Relativity author
  - 113 142 160 172 189 3 45
- C. Information on 81 129 147 13 a racetrack tote board
- D. Seven-time AL batting champ 42 166 135 180 22 58 86 (2 wds.)
- E. Gangster's guns 40 69 79 104
- F. Automotive heir 120 16 27 47 6 179 60 who had a lemon named after him (2 wds.)
- G. Lamb stew meat 102 126 140 154 167 188
- H. Smithsonian, 10 19 32 49 72 85 97 108 144 for one
- 158 193 Midwestern metropolis 90 18 39 66 77 109 151 182 11 51 where "everything's up to date' (2 wds.)

64 181 192 24 119

- J. Corrects copy
- Cuspidor 63 155 168 31 87 100 117
- Tolkien 37 150 96 133 194 53 124 creatures

- M. What guests sometimes do with their welcome
- N. Triple Crown winner of 1941
- O. Play featuring Shylock and Portia (with "P") (2 wds.)
- P. See clue "O" (2 wds.)
- Q. The Ronettes' first hit, in 1963 (3 wds.)
- R. Centaur killed by Hercules
- S. Best Picture of 1984
- T. Author of The Executioner's Song (2 wds.)
- U. Delayed results
- V. Dorothy of Broadway's Noises Off
- W. Notorious
- X. Italians, Germans, etc.
- Tales

- 178 61 75 125 161 7 99
- 76 114 152 50 164 80 174
  - 78 141 91 149 177 186 41 169 55 106 98
  - 44 71 128 165 1 156
  - 35 88 132 14 146 57 163
  - 94 127 175 36 52 67 196
  - 173 89 29 101 143 9
  - 2 25 62 17 111 43 54 118 70 134 162
  - 131 92 105 139 171 73 122 183 148 157 112 23
  - 121 33 103 46 190
  - 8 184 123 34 195 137 145
  - 170 159 65 93 191 187 136 20 28
- Y. Bumppo of The 48 153 110 115 56 Leatherstocking

### MIND FLEXERS \*\* BY MARY ELLEN SLATE

In each of these puzzles, match each item on the left with one on the right, based on similar or related meanings. The relationships are disguised by use of double meanings or altered spacing within the words. For example, the answer to the first item in Puzzle 1, "Man's world," is C, "Stagnation" (stag nation). Psychology professor Morgan Worthy, who invented "Mind Flexers" 15 years ago to test and improve mental flexibility, says, "Do not take them too seriously, and you will quickly improve at seeing the ANSWERS, PAGE 57

### **PUZZLE 1**

- \_\_\_ 1. Man's world
- A. Infantry attack
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Props
- B. Mice
- \_\_\_ 3. Reaches
- C. Stagnation
- \_\_\_ 4. Catskills
- D. Playthings
- \_\_\_\_ 5. Private enterprise
- E. Hurts again

### **PUZZLE 2**

- \_\_\_ 1. Misapprehension
- A. Handkerchief
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Doughtier
- B. Gored
- \_\_\_\_ 3. Penchant
- C. Pretzel maker
- \_\_\_\_ 4. Not at issue
- D. Prison song
- \_\_\_ 5. Blush
- E. False arrest

### **PUZZLE 3**

- \_\_\_\_ 1. K rations
- A. Motel reservation
- \_\_\_ 2. Cape Cod
- B. Ganglion
- \_\_\_\_ 3. Example
- C. Warfare
- \_\_\_\_ 4. Pride member
- D. Successful dieter
- \_\_\_ 5. Layaway plan
- E. Massacres

### **PUZZLE 4**

- \_\_\_ 1. No parking
- A. Pungent
- \_\_\_ 2. BBs
- B. 20/20
- \_\_\_\_ 3. Inhabits
- \_\_\_\_ 4. Jokester
- C. Cheap shot
- D. Like nuns
- \_\_\_ 5. Supervision
- E. Golf duffer

### **PUZZLE 5**

- \_\_\_\_ 1. Dealing
- A. Surface
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Beauties
- \_\_\_ 3. Beach champion
- B. Chitchat
- C. Bridgework
- \_\_\_ 4. Rapidly
- D. Little goat
- \_\_\_ 5. Peanut butter
- E. Engagement rings

### FOLD THIS PAGE

### THE WORLD'S **MOST ORNERY CROSSWORD**

BY RICHARD SILVESTRI

### Open Season

The crossword on this and the next two pages has two independent sets of clues: "Hard" and "Easy." First, fold this page back on the dashed line so the clues below face the solving grid on page 37. If you use only the Hard Clues (appearing below and continuing under the grid), you'll find the puzzle uncommonly challenging. If you want help, or prefer a less severe challenge, open to the Easy Clues (tucked in beneath your fold on page 36).

### HARD CLUES \*\*\*

### ACROSS

- 1 Pompadour, e.g.
- 7 \_\_\_ king 10 ''\_\_\_ 'nuff!''
- 13 Come to the
  - point?
- 18 Fire 22 Indefinite time
- 23 Kennebunkport delicacy
- 25 Uplift
- 26 Self, to Caesar
- 27 Mr. Boddy's killer, sometimes
- 29 Philip or
- Alexander 31 Eels
- 32 Run out of gas
- 33 Polish partner
- 34 Rank
- 35 Smashed
- 36 Soapstone
- 37 Bother greatly
- 38 Robin's sweetheart, and
- namesakes
- 39 Observed the Sabbath
- 43 Skeptically
- 47 Shirley of "The
- Name Game" fame
- 48 Indian soldier
- 50 Jerky, sometimes
- 51 Work overhead
- **52** \_\_\_\_ soda 53 Took off
- 55 Neck
- 56 Intimated
- 61 A little juice?
- 62 Cement and glass ingredients 122 Pay for
- 65 Highest honor 67 Arabesques
- 69 "The Wild Hoss of the Osage"
- 71 Representations 73 Its capital's Kampala

- 74 McCarthy's colleague
- 75 Tutti 76 Public Enemy Number One,
- once
- 78 Taking steps 82 Resumed
- détente
- desperandum
- 85 Fun units?
- 86 Last, in a way 88 Dos Passos
- trilogy
- 89 Beat a birdie \_ Working Her Way Through College
- (Reagan flick)
- 96 Get in the running
- 97 Prussic acid
- source 100 Won a varsity
- award 104 Philatelic
- description 107 Couronne wearer
- 109 Rowdydow 111 Postdiluvian
- parking spot 112 Legree look
- 113 Virginia McMath's film
- name 117 No longer
- working 119 Tallahassee
- monogram 120 Tarkington novel
- 121 It's Old in London
- 123 Endangered bird
- 125 Limerick locale 126 Schlemiel
- 127 Pedestal part 128 Third degree
- 131 Wedding gift?

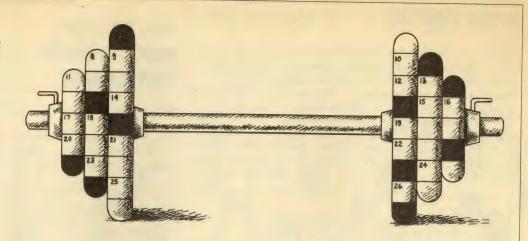
- 133 Insurance company employee
- 134 United States record holder?
- 140 Smallest number
- **141** Oxen
- 142 Churchill trademark
- 143 Spring's
- opposite
- 144 H.S. subject
- 145 Paragons 146 Baa nanas?
- 148 Lute marking
- 149 Kind of juices
- 154 Polish the apple 156 Green talisman
- 158 Party-giver Maxwell
- 159 Neighbor of
- Taurus 160 Terminal course
- 161 Butterfly's garb
- 162 Monogram for Picasso
- 163 Lunar trench 164 Mauna Loa emission
- 165 \_\_\_\_ Tomé 166 Kibbutzers?

### DOWN

- 1 Soft shoes
- 2 "Mr. X" 3 Noshery
- 4 Lad, \_\_ (Terhune novel)
- 5 Washday machines, once
- 6 Shadowed spot? 7 Maundy money
- 8 Bud's comedy partner 9 Stay dry
- 10 Stiffness of manner
- 11 Epitaph starter 12 Fort near
  - Monterey

### THE WORLD'S **MOST ORNERY** CROSSWORD (CONTINUED)

Don't Peek Until You Read Page 35!



### **EASY CLUES** \*

### ACROSS

- 1 Bovary or Butterfly
- 7 Pie \_\_\_ mode: 2 wds.
- \_ 'nuff!''
- 13 Slender candle 18 Fervor
- 22 TV's \_ \_ at a
- Time: 2 wds. 23 Maine seafood
- specialty 25 Make happy
- 26 \_\_\_ dixit (PIES anag.)
- 27 Yellow "Clue" suspect: 2 wds
- Ancient Balkan dweller
- 31 Goes eeling
- 32 Flat or spare car part
- 33 Rotisserie turner
- 34 Spoiled, as food
- 35 Ignited
- 36 Bath powder 37 Be under the weather
- 38 Robin Hood's Maid and námesakes
- 39 Took a breather
- 43 How to take poor advice:
- 5 wds. 47 \_\_\_\_ Island (immigrants'
- entry point) 48 Latin American
- laborer 50 Venison: 2 wds.
- 51 Provide a roof (LICE anag.)
- **52** "My Gal
- 53 Mimicked
- 55 Tamed animal
- 56 Reached, as something out of the way: 2 wds. 61 Electrical unit
- 62 Salts related to quartz
- 65 One-spot, in cards

- 67 Inflationary paths
- 69 One of House Gang": 2 wds.
- 71 Religious images
- 73 Neighbor of Kenya
- Mortimer
- 76 1930s gangster:
- 2 wds. \_\_ water
- afloat)
- 82 Defrosted
- 86 Most recent
- 89 Scored two under par
- \_\_\_ So Lauper album)
- 96 Compete
- nut 100 Practiced
- calligraphy
- a stamp: 2 wds.
- 107 King: Fr.

- 113 Fred Astaire's
- 119 College in
- magazine
- Damone or
- 122 "Trick or \_ 123 Kin of the
- 125 Ireland, once
- 126 Clumsy fellow

- baseball's "Gas

- 74 Bergen puppet
- 75 Everything
- (remaining
- 84 Not a thing
- 85 Thousands of pounds
- 88 "Born in the
- Unusual" (Cyndi
- 97 Hershey bar
- 104 Perfect shape, as
- 109 Fracas
- 111 Mount
- (Noah's landing)
- 112 Villainous grin
- partner: 2 wds.
- 117 Went to bed
- Tallahassee: Abbr
- 120 Girls' fashion
  - 5 Mutilates Morrow
  - ostrich
    - 10 Shirt stiffener

- 127 Lower part of a wall (in RED ADOBE)
- 128 Barbecuing
- 131 Combo 133 Appraiser
- 134 Where the Constitution is
- kept: 2 wds. 140 Least in number
- 141 Cows and oxen
- 142 Victory symbol
- 143 Tide type 144 H.S. math; Abbr.
- 145 Utopian principles
- 146 Female sheep 148 Worry
- 149 Inventive
- 154 Use flattery for gain: 2 wds
- Good-luck plant: 2 wds.
- 158 Born Free lioness
- 159 Hunter in the heavens
- 160 Dinner finale
- 161 Japanese robe **162** Cues'
- predecessors Moon valley
- (ILLER anag.)
- 164 Cigarette residue Paulo, 165
- Brazil 166 Native Israelis (A BRASS anag.)

### DOWN

- 1 Indian shoes, for short
- Ever and (now and then)
- Pastrami place
- Sick as \_\_\_\_: 2 wds.
- 6 Lash location Beggar's request 8 Gymnast Mary
- Retton 9 Decline to vote

- 11 Roll-call response
- 12 City regulation: Abbr.
- 13 Surname of The Saint (TRAMPLE anag.)
- 14 Jai
- 15 Treaty
- 16 Summer, in Versailles
- 17 Revised drawing 18 Showy American
- flower 19 Like a heroic poem
- "Canonized and worshipp'd as
- Shakespeare, 2 wds.
- 21 Gives for a time 24 Nickname for Wilt Chamberlain
- (with "the")
- 28 Allow
- 30 Rowing blades 33 Forefather
- 36 Duo
- 37 Elderly 38 Trenches around
- castles
- 39 Short summaries
- 40 Xenon or zinc 41 What Cinderella
- lost 42 Up to, for short
- 44 Hot weather drinks
- 45 Be imminent 46 Word in a
- wedding announcement
- 48 Coconut tree 49 Lamb's pen name (A LIE
- anag.) 52 Knight's title

53 Leaning

- 54 Ballpoint 56 Leslie Caron role Praying figure
- (ON ART anag.) 58 "It takes two to

- 59 Pilgrim settler John
- 60 Old Russian leaders
- 62 Family car 63 Rugged rocks 64 Azores' ocean:
- Abbr. 65 Dull pain
- 66 Magazine publisher Nast
- 68 Young hen 70 Prefix with fix or fab
- Des Moines resident
- 72 Burn slightly Leader of the
- Argonauts 77 Cheerful rhythm
- 79 Give, as time or effort 80 "Heads
- tails you lose": 2 wds.
- 81 Requires 83 Comic's
- sense' 87 Actress Sharon
- and others 90 Adjust, as a rear
- axle
- 91 Evil spirit 92 Brainy
- 93 Employer 94 Related maternally (A
- TEEN anag.) 95 Muscle strand
- (STAIR anag.) 98 In \_\_\_\_ of (replacing)
- 99 Take out on the road \_ U.S. Pat.
- Off.: Abbr. 102 Make higher

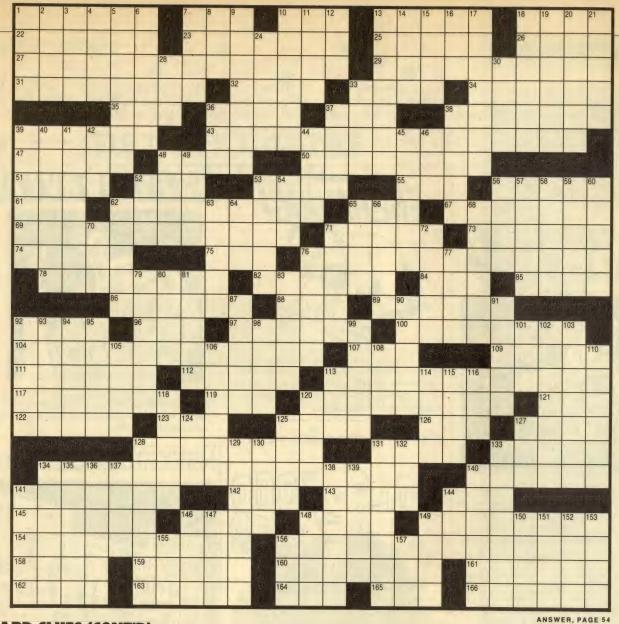
103 Ridicules

- 105 Supermarket carry-all 106 Paid \_\_\_\_ (bill words):
- 2 wds. 108 Singleton

- 110 Accompany, as to a dance
- 113 Munich's country: Abbr.
- 114 School on the Thames
- 115 Peruse 116 Gridiron official,
- for short 118 Laura and Bruce
- of the screen 120 Sound of relief
- 124 "Mamma \_ 125 Suffix with differ or refer
- Margery \_\_\_\_
- 128 Fetches: 2 wds. 129 TV's \_\_\_ &

127 "See-saw,

- Shirley 130 Angers
- 131 "The Fab Four" 132 Cleo's snake
- 133 Royal dress 134 Small lump
- (DUEL ON anag.)
- 135 Disinclined 136 Jeweled
- headdresses
- 137 Internally 138 Influx 139 Changes
- direction 140 Bits of paint
- 141 Arm muscle 144 Kennel sound
- 146 Wickedness 147 Winter fabric
- 148 Enemies 149 \_\_\_\_-nine-tails 150 Mausoleum
- 151 Old-time matinee idol Novello
- 152 Blood vessel: Lat. (NAVE anag.) 153 Greek Cupid
- 155 Onassis nickname 156 Pharmaceuticals watchdog:
- Abbr 157 N.O.W. cause



### HARD CLUES (CONT'D)

13 Knight of the Crusades

14 Soviet mountain range

15 Accord

16 When Georges burns

17 Write over

18 Last item in a seed catalog?

19 Of great size

20 "The worst of madmen is run mad": Pope

21 Plays Shylock

24 Marsh bird

28 It's reserved in tennis

30 Galley gear

33 Successful stud

36 Enough for checkers

37 Got gray 38 Castle defenses

39 Some tires

40 Aluminum or tin

41 Sherlock's tobacco repository

\_\_ Tuesday (pop group)

44 Citrus quaffs

45 Menace

46 Genealogy word

48 Where some lines can be read?

49 Lamb, in the pen?

52 Army address?

53 Listing

54 Lifer's home

56 1958 Oscar winner

57 Praying figure 58 "Hernando's Hideaway," for

59 Standish stand-in 60 Tyrannical types

62 Portable chair

63 Rockclimber's obstacles

64 S.A./Afr. divider 65 More than smart

66 Vogue's Nast

68 Chicken little?

70 Starter for cognition or Columbian

71 Hawkeye 72 Hold near a

flame 76 Fleece fetcher

77 Flow, like "The Blue Danube"

79 Consecrate 80 "Heads

81 Insufficiencies

83 Indulge 87 TV's Soap family

90 Bring into agreement 91 Exorcist's enemy 92 Agent 86's real name

93 Engaging fellow? 94 Related

maternally

95 Narrow ridge

98 Place

99 Tee off 101 Certified by the govt.

102 Improve morally

103 Twits 105 Farmer's

transport 106 Without

abridgment 108 I, to Claudius

110 Traveler's

protection 113 Eur. lang. 114 School

Wellington attended 115 Word on a library poster 116 Striped arbiter

118 Father Bruce and daughter Laura

120 Audible longing 124 Woody's

"Hannah" 125 Defer ending

127 Margery of rhyme 128 Likes

129 Patty and Maxene's

sister 130 Makes sore

131 Source of 1964 mania

132 Relative of the adder

133 Full dress

134 Small lump

135 Unwilling 136 Beauty contest prizes

137 Deeply

138 Heavy immigration, perhaps

139 Deviates

140 Dapples

141 Weight lifter's development

144 Boxer's comment

146 Sort of eye

147 Muffler material

148 Hatfields and McCoys, e.g.

149 "The Censor" of ancient Rome

150 Pyramid, often

151 Actor Novello 152 \_\_\_ cava (large

blood vessel) 153 Libidinal force, to Freud

155 Exodus's Ben Gannon

156 Rx OKer

157 Chapter of history

What kid hasn't sent away his hard-earned allowance for a pair of x-ray specs or other miracle of science advertised in the back of a comic book? For his two dollars he gets a vivid lesson in the sometimes misleading art of advertising. The ads on this page offer eight of these spectacular items

("Amaze your friends!" "Fool your enemies!"), which are actually common, ordinary, even worthless objects. Can you read between the lines and identify the vastly overpriced items these ads describe?

ANSWERS, PAGE 54

# THE BIG



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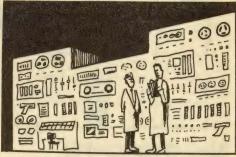
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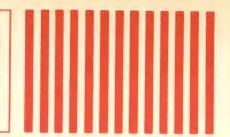


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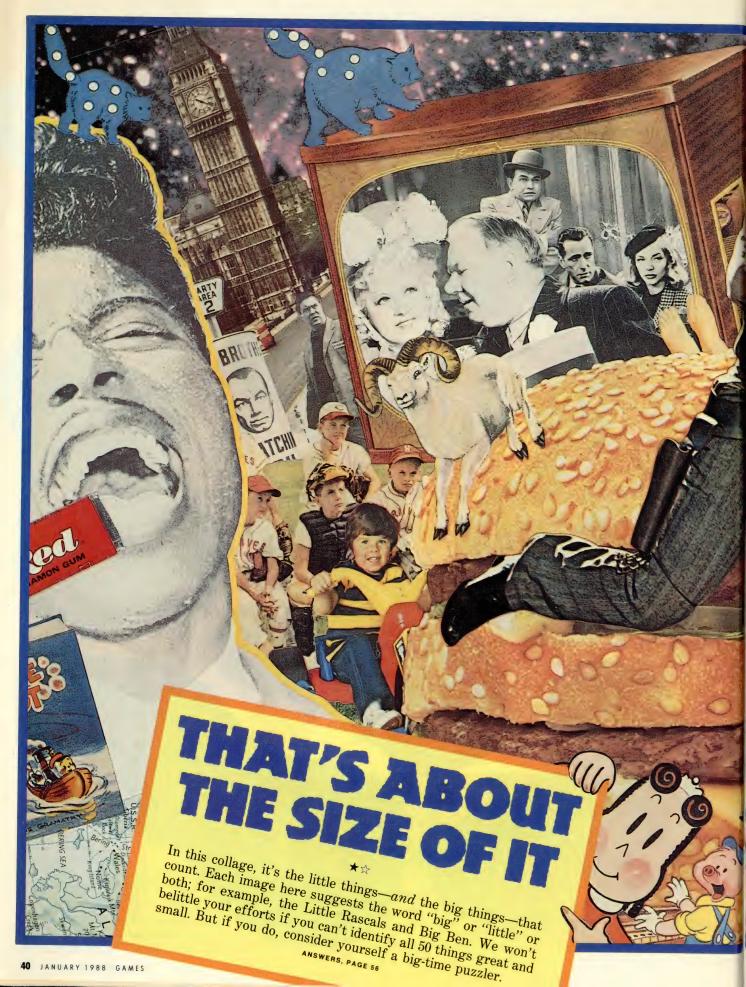


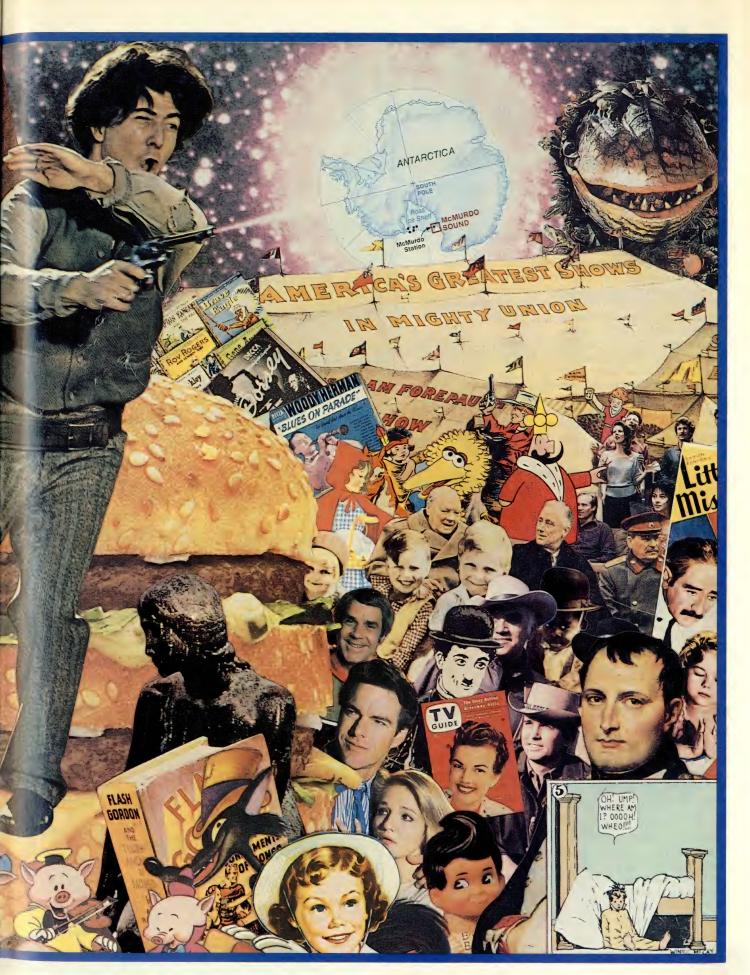
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# KID STUFF

### The Games Guide To New Children's Games

### BY SCOTT MARLEY

hen the word "educational" appears on a children's game, it usually means the game teaches the metric system or U.S. geography or some other set of facts. But all good games are educational, often in ways that are overlooked. Preschoolers learn to concentrate and to follow instructions from simple games. Older children increase their coordination from physical games, and practice memory, logical reasoning, and planning ahead from games of strategy.

But a game can't teach effectively if it's too dull to play. The one thing these 10 new games have in common is that

they are all a lot of fun.

The age groups we give are only rough guides. We had FOUR SEASONS pre-teens in mind when we chose these games, but many of them will appeal to teenagers as well. Also, bright kids can enjoy many of the adult games we mentioned last issue in "The Best Games of the Year." Retail prices given here are approximate, and will vary from store to store.



SNAIL'S PACE RACE

### Preschool (Ages 3-5)

### SNAIL'S PACE RACE

Ravensburger, any number of players, \$14

In this very simple game, six brightly colored snails move down a garden racecourse according to the roll of two dice. While the race is in progress, players guess which snails will be first and last. Since the snails, and not the players, are the winners and losers, this is a good game for children who are not ready for competitive games.

### **LETTER LOOPS**

Milton Bradley, 2-4 players,

In this dominoes-like game, pieces interlock to form simple words. Words are color-coded according to their first letters, so matching colors is a guide to making correct words. Letter Loops gives practice in reading and spelling by sounding out words, and it's fun to watch the loops curve and grow. When flipped to the other side, the





LETTER LOOPS

MONSTER MASH

pieces can be used for a similar game with no reading needed.

### **FOUR SEASONS**

Ravensburger, 2-4 players, \$12

No reading or counting is needed to play this easy pachisi-like game, since

players match pictures to move around the board. The four quarters of the board show the four seasons, and players race to get all four of their pieces around the year and into their goals. As with Snail's Pace Race. the wooden pieces and the board are sturdy and charming.



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### Ages 8 and Up

### HAIL TO THE CHIEF

Aristoplay, 2-4 players, \$25 By answering questions about American history, players try to earn enough delegates and electoral votes to be declared President of the United States. The questions come in two levels of difficulty. Most questions are interesting and fair, though there are a few clinkers and misspellings.

### Ages 6 and Up

### MONSTER MASH

Parker Brothers, 2-4 players. \$12

Twenty-seven comical monster cards, all different, are spread out on the table or floor. The clever Monster-Maker device randomly displays a monster; then players race to spot the card that matches. The player who finds it slaps it with his or her "thwacker," a hand with a suction cup attached. The first player to capture five monsters wins. A delightfully silly game.

### DIZZY DIZZY DINOSAUR

Pressman, 2-4 players, \$13 Race your cavemen along the spiral path to the center of the board. Stack them for faster movement-if you dare. The fun increases when a roll of the dice turns up a dinosaur; that's when you get to aim the wind-up dinosaur and turn it loose on the board. The dinosaur spins and curves unpredictably, and any cavemen knocked over have to go back to start.

### DR. TANGLE

Selchow and Righter, 4-6 players, \$12

Each player gets a turn at being Dr. Tangle, while the other players are connected at the wrists with



PICTIONARY JUNIOR

Velcro "ropes" to make a circle. Dr. Tangle orders players to touch each other's knees, chins, elbows, and other body parts, trying to tangle the players up and make them break the chain. The sooner it breaks. the more Dr. Tangle scores. A hilarious game.

### **NERF INDOOR GOLF**

Parker Brothers, 2-4 players, \$18

Turn your home into a miniature golf course with this sturdy equipment, which includes nine holes with flags, four differently colored golf balls, and two clubs. Supply your own obstacles, such as chairs and



HEADS AND TAILS

books. Some simple assembly is needed, but read the instructions carefully first: Mistakes in assembling the clubs can be hard to correct. The golf balls roll best on carpeted floors.

### **PICTIONARY JUNIOR**

Games Gang, 3 or more players, \$15

This version of the bestselling game Pictionary has simpler rules, but it's just as challenging. Players try to get teammates to say a word by drawing a picture of it. At first, words are easy, but they get harder as teams come closer to winning. Crayons and wipeable drawing boards included.

#### **HEADS AND TAILS**

Ravensburger, 2-4 players,

This unusual memory game uses 36 cards that have a picture on each side. Players take turns flipping over a card, revealing a new picture while trying to remember the one that is now concealed. Interestingly, advanced players will find that logic as well as memory can be used to dis-



NERF INDOOR GOLF

### **EDITED BY SCOTT MARLEY**

### **PARTY GAMES**

The only surefire party game is one that everyone already knows how to play. My own experiments show that most partygoers will listen to rules for about a minute and a half before sighing, "This is too hard. Let's play Trivial Pursuit."

So if you're a party game lover but you're T.P.'d out, it's a good idea to be prepared with a couple of games like these. Both can be played by any number (four or more is best). Both are fast-moving and fun. And the rules of each can be explained in under a minute and a half.

In Outburst (Western Publishing, \$25), teammates have one minute to rattle off words and phrases related to a topic (chosen randomly from a deck of 400 two-sided cards), hoping to hit the 10 items listed on the topic card. When time's up, a team gets a point for each of those 10 items that someone mentioned. The first team to reach 60 points wins.



One item on each card is worth one to three bonus points (dice are rolled to determine which item and how many points). A team can pass on a topic it doesn't like; the passed topic goes to the other team on its next turn, and the passing team must accept the next topic that comes up. Each team is allowed three passes during the game.

The topics are clever, varying from straightforward ("silent movie stars") to slippery ("things you wash frequently") to saucy ("buxom actresses"). You'll probably argue about whether to

give credit for, say, "marshmallows" when the item on the card is "marshmallow sauce." Be generous: The other team is sure to retaliate by not giving you "automobile" when you said "car," and soon you'll have civil war on your hands.

**Personal Preference** (Broderbund, \$25) is also played in teams. Each player, in turn, takes four cards from one of the four decks provided. For example. cards from the Activities deck might say "Testifying in court," "Daydreaming, "Being tickled," and "Square dancing." The player secretly ranks these activities in order from most to least favorite. And then everybody else tries to guess the player's rankings.

Each team moves around the board one space for each rank correctly guessed. A player's own teammates guess, too, so a player who lies will mislead his or her own team as much as the opponentsthough anyone who would deliberately lie in this sort of game is missing the point.

A team that feels sure about some of its guesses can "double" them. A doubled guess is worth two spaces if right, but sends the team back a space if

wrong. The first team to circle the board wins.

The cards are delightfully varied, from "Trout" to "Communism" to "Talking to someone a lot smarter than you are." Each of the four decks (the other three are Food and Drink, People. and Potpourri) contains 200 items. Which deck a player uses depends on the space the player's team is on.

And certain spaces require a player to take one card from each deck, which leads to some interesting choices. Which do you prefer: radishes, Ted Koppel. increased defense spending, or going for a balloon ride? —S. M.

### TWO NEW GAMES FROM INFOCOM

Few Infocom games have been as eagerly awaited as Douglas Adams's Bureaucracy (for most computers, including 128K Apple; \$35-40). Adams, you will recall, was the perpetrator of A Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, a wildly funny and hugely successful interactive fiction game which he based on his best-selling book. Now, with another of his books on the best-seller lists, his second Infocom collaboration (an original game that is not based on a book) makes a timely appearance. If you liked Hitchhiker, you're gonna love Bureaucracy.

Adams's new game is a wacky adventure of a peculiarly modern kind. You have just taken a new job and moved to a new home. Your company wants you to go to Paris for a two-week seminar. All you have to do is open your mail, which contains the money you'll



Personal Preference's easy-to-explain rules make it an ideal

need, then pick up your ticket at the travel agency, and call a cab to take you

to the airport.

Things go haywire right from the start. Although you notified the bank of your move, they sent your money to your former address, whose new occupant is not the least bit cooperative. You have no trouble picking up your ticket (it was prepaid), but when you try calling the cab company you get either no answer or a busy signal.

As you explore your new neighborhood in search of help, you encounter such hazards as an obscene one-winged macaw, a deaf matron toting an elephant gun, an irritating nerd who's always trying to sell you stuff, and a bleating llama. At the end of the street is a mysterious mansion protected by a locked gate, next to which is an intercom through which a voice keeps repeating, "Unfortunately, there's a radio connected to my brain."

The game is full of unex-

pected shifts of locale (at one point you find yourself hanging from a tree in a distant jungle), a brand of silly but pointed humor that belongs uniquely to Douglas Adams, and, of course, lots of wonderfully devious puzzles. As you work on the puzzles, remember the game's description as "a paranoid fantasy" and the peculiarly cynical mind-set of its creator.

Bureaucracy is a fairly . hard game, not suited for beginners.

Many interactive fiction fans count Steve Meretzky's Planetfall among their favorites. They will not be disappointed in his sequel, Stationfall (for most computers: \$35-40).

You are a lieutenant in charge of paperwork. Your new assignment is to take a spacetruck to a nearby station and pick up a supply of Request for Stellar Patrol Issue Regulation Black Form Binders Request Form Forms. You will be accompanied by Floyd, the lovable robot from Planetfall.

Though maddeningly helpless at times, Floyd has his endearing moments (each time you want to save your game position, he chortles, "Oh boy! Are we going to do something dangerous now?") and he can be a lifesaver at crucial moments (if he hasn't wandered off somewhere).

The space station where you go to pick up the forms, and where you will spend the rest of the game. is a nine-level module with three sub-modules, two of which you can't enter without the proper authorization. The levels are connected by an elevator and by ladders. As you explore the module in search of the forms and a commanding officer to authorize your entry into the sub-modules, you discover with dismay that you are the only human in the station. The only other creature you can find is a robot named Plato, who becomes very good friends with Floyd (and forces him later to make a very difficult decision).

In a science lab you find cryptic references to a pyramid of mysterious power. and in one of the docking bays you discover an alien spacecraft. On one of the walls in the ship is a strange series of dots, the meaning of which was never discovered by the scientists, as you learn from their

You begin to hear strange rumbling noises from the levels below. But the elevator refuses to descend to those levels, and the ladders that lead there have been blocked. Something very sinister appears to be going on, and you soon find yourself in mortal danger.

Meretzky (the author of Planetfall, Sorcerer, Leather Goddesses of Phobos, and others) can always be counted on to provide a strong story line and unusually interesting puzzles. Stationfall has these in abundance, and thanks to his brilliant creation Floyd, it also has a heart. The game is of medium difficulty.

-B. H.

### STRANDED

Rainbow Games, P.O. Box 1429, Dearborn, MI 48121; \$15.45 postpaid

Although time travel is the theme of Stranded, it's just window dressing. Underneath is a simple and very pleasant family strategy game that takes only five or ten minutes to play.

The board is a 5x5 grid of squares with the center removed. The squares are red, green, blue, or yellow. (Each shows a different event in American history, but the pictures play no part in the game.) To start, 48 "time machines" of the same four colors are randomly piled two-high on the squares. Each player—two to four can play—places his or her marker in a different corner of the board.

Each turn you throw a die to get one of the four colors. (If a black side shows,

you choose the color.) Then you do two things: first, remove any time machine of the selected color; second, move your marker to an unoccupied machine of the same color. You can move in any direction including diagonally, and if you pass over an opponent's marker you can move it to any unoccupied machine.

Gradually, as time machines disappear, spaces are uncovered. If you can't move to a machine of the right color, you stay where you are-unless there's an uncovered square of that color that you can move to. When you're finally forced to move to an uncovered square, you're "stranded in time" and out of the game. The last player left wins.

Opening moves don't have much point until several squares are uncovered. Here's a scoring variation of mine that makes things interesting from the start:

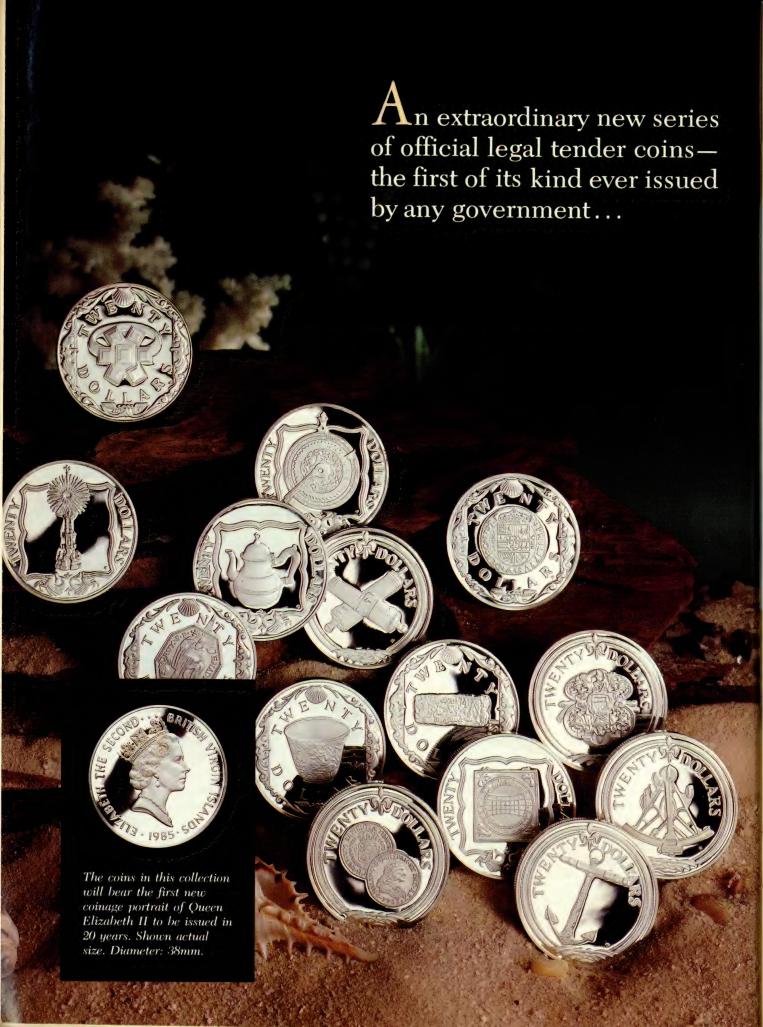


Keep the time machines you remove from the board Each time you can't move, give one machine to the player whose turn was just before you (even if he or she couldn't move or became stranded on that turn). If you become stranded, give three machines to the player before you. The last

player left takes one more turn-paying as usual if stuck or stranded-before the game ends. The player with the most machines wins.

Better yet, play a series of games and keep track of total points. You won't want to stop at one.

—S. S.





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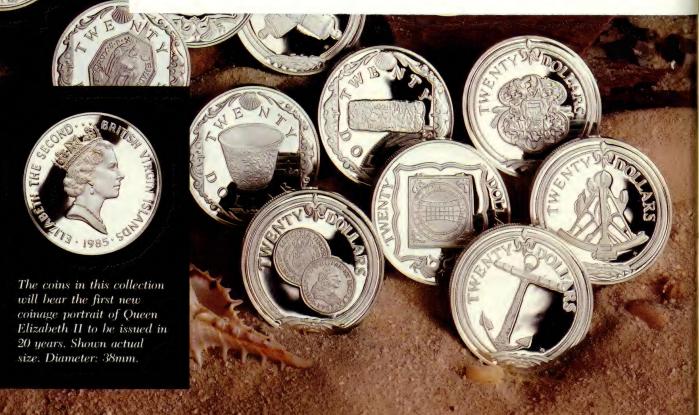
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### THE SUPER IQ TEST REPORT, PART I

### BY KEVIN LANGDON

The answers to the Polymath Intellectual Ability Scale, which appeared in August/September GAMES, appear below. An explanation of each answer is included.

One test item, number 30, is not scored due to a defect in its wording; and in two test items, numbers 6 and 20, two alternative answers have been accepted as correct. Like computer programs, IQ tests tend to contain "bugs" that are not discovered until they are administered to a large number of persons. This is especially true of tests like this one, which attempts

to measure unusually high IQs.

Scoring this type of test involves more than just adding up the number of correct answers. Questions must first be assigned different weights, based on the different percentages of test takers who got them right. Because of a last-minute flood of submissions, scoring of the test could not be completed by press time.

A full report on the test will appear next issue, including an explanation of the scoring process and tables that will allow test takers to determine

their scores and IQs.

### 12. E. The leftmost block climbs over the other two. The cycle starts two-thirds of the way through.

- 13. A. The figures have increasing numbers of sides. A similar, miniature figure is erected on the inside of the middle third of each side of each figure. (E.g., the first figure can be viewed as a large triangle with a little triangle cut out of each side; the second figure can be seen as a large square missing four little squares; etc.)
- 14. D. Each segment becomes a new "color" in each succeeding figure. White becomes black, black becomes diagonal stripes, diagonal stripes become vertical stripes, and vertical stripes become white.
- 15. E. The figures change according to the cycle: Reflection around the vertical centerline, clockwise rotation, reflection around the horizontal centerline.
- 16. A. Each figure consists of two parts interleaved diagonally. The first figure consists of two squares, the next of a square with a figure that looks like two squares merged together at a corner, then two of these figures, then one of these and a similar figure resembling three merged squares. The next figure is composed of two of the latter.
- 17. E. At alternate steps, the shortest horizontal or vertical line is removed and a horizontal and a vertical line are placed in the smallest rectangles remaining, with the vertical line either on top or on the right.
- 18. D. At alternate steps: The segment on the right remains unchanged while the remaining segments are rotated counterclockwise; then the segment on the bottom remains unchanged while the remaining segments are rotated clockwise.
- 19. C. The first figure is a 3-unit-high by 5-unit-wide L-shaped figure. At each step, the figure is folded along a diagonal axis. The first axis passes through a point two units below the top left corner of the figure and another point one unit from the top and one unit from the left. The axis moves one unit down and one unit to the right at each step.

### FIGURE SERIES.

11. A. There are two moving elements, a straight line which moves clockwise and a chevron (or triangle) which moves counterclockwise.

### ANSWERS & EXPLANATIONS

#### MISCELLANEOUS SYMBOLIC PROBLEMS

- 1. B—GY. The names of the two letters in each of the other pairs, sounded successively, make up a woman's name or nickname.
- 2. A—34%. The probability that the hour hand will make it as far as the 3 is .9 cubed, or 72.9%. The probability that it will make it as far as the 9 is .9 to the ninth, or 38.7%. The difference is 34.2%.
- 3. D—364. My true love gave me 12 partridges in pear trees (one each day), 11 times two turtle doves, 10 times three French hens, etc. The total is 364.
- 4. B—5. Since one group contains two more black marbles than another, one group must contain at least four marbles and there must be at least two groups. If there are more than three groups, the smallest must contain no fewer than two marbles. The smallest set of four groups would have groups of 2, 3, 4, and 5 marbles, adding up to 14, three more marbles than are supplied. There are four possible groupings of two or three groups, each with a different number of members. The possibilities are:
- 4-7 5-6 2-3-6 2-4-5 Only 2-4-5 contains two groups one of which contains two more black marbles than the other.
- 5. A—L. The progression is of initial letters of the words in the sentence that begins the test item.
- 6. Two alternatives, B and C, have been accepted for this problem. The pairs of opposites are SPEAR and SPARE and ASTER (flower) and TARES (weed).
- 7. C—@. The first symbol is repeated after

- one intervening symbol, the second after two, and so on.
- 8. D—All three colors. A man with a red hat sees that the men with the yellow hats see at least two colors and so must not have raised their hands because they saw the third color—red—on his own hat. Identical reasoning applies to the man with the blue hat. A man with a yellow hat, seeing that the other yellow-hatted man does not raise his hand, can deduce that that man sees three colors, and thus that his own hat is yellow.
- 9. B—II. Make a truth table, listing each possible combination of truth and falsity for statements I, II, III, and IV. Examine each combination. Only two combinations avoid contradictions: I, II, and IV true, III false; and II and III true, I and IV false.
- 10. C-4. Weigh two weights against the other two on the first weighing. The balance will tip. Take the heavy group of weights and weigh them against one another. The heavier weight is the 7-pound weight, which appears in each of the three possible combinations of two weights that outweigh the other two. Now take the 7 and weigh it against the two weights in the lighter group. If the 7 is heavier, the lighter group consists of the 2 and the 3. If it's the same, the lighter group is the 2 and the 5. If it's lighter, the lighter group is the 3 and the 5. Finally, weigh the members of the lighter group against one another; all weights then will have been identified in four weighings.
  - }

- $20. \ {\rm Two}$  alternatives have been accepted as correct:
- B. If this figure is added to the series, then each cell in the series will be in the opposite state from the cell directly oppo-

site with respect to a vertical line passing through the center of the fourth figure.

E. Imagine that the four cells are numbered as follows: Top left, 1; top right, 2; bottom left, 3; bottom right, 4. The states of the cells change (i.e. from "x" to empty or vice-versa) in the order 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 2-3, 2-4, 3-4. (The sequence represents all possible combinations of two changes taken in numerical order.)

#### MISCELLANEOUS SPATIAL PROBLEMS

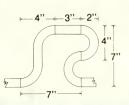
21. E.



22. D-20. The remaining figure consists of two H's at the two ends of the block (the long way), joined by two blocks in the center (or elsewhere), for a total of 16 blocks.



23. B-4



24. A. Each figure consists of four segments. In each case; the upper right and lower left segments are reflected around the straight line joining each segment's endpoints.

25. C-2. This is a very tricky question. The most obvious answer (below left), requiring three crossovers, is wrong. A closed loop can be made with only two crossovers (below right), since the question did not require all segments of the crossover cards to be used.





26. A. Each figure can be thought of as an equilateral triangle with three tails, each connected to a different vertex, and each equal in length to a side of the triangle. The set of figures shown represents all possible combinations (but one) in which each tail is parallel to the opposite side of the triangle. A is a mirror image of the missing figure around the upper left to lower right axis 60 degrees from the vertical. (The two pictured but unlettered figures are also mirror images of the missing figure, around other axes.)

27. D—12. After beginning at S in one of four directions, there is a choice of paths at T. If the path chosen at T approaches S from the same side from which it left originally, there are two choices again at S. Otherwise there is only one route available. Therefore, there are 12 possible

28. E-It cannot be determined from the information given. The conditions of the problem permit 0, 1, or 2 red sides.

29. B-158". The minimum path is indicated:



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Since 20 squared plus 21 squared equals 29 squared, each of the diagonal segments is 29" long (by the Pythagorean Theorem).

30. This problem is not scored. Unfortunately, there is no correct answer. The intended answer was C-2 and 3. If the figures are of unit blocks joined seamlessly in a 2 x 2 x 2 array, with some blocks missing, figure 2 represents either a bench-shaped block or such a block with the left or right half of the central third removed. Neither of these figures produces a view like figure 3. An array of unit blocks is not the only possibility consistent with the figures and conditions given, however. Alert readers supplied other possibilities, permitting all possible pairs. (For illustrations of these, see Letters, page 4.)

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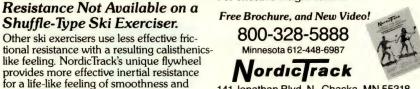
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phabet as possible, and second, to try to have the letters you don't

Fill in this grid to make a crossword that contains as many different letters as possible.

use fall as close as possible to the beginning of the alphabet.

Acceptable Words Each of the six words in your grid must be recognized by Webster's Third New International Dictionary (Unabridged), where the word must either be listed in boldface or be an inflected form of a boldface entry. Comparative and superlative forms of adjectives are acceptable only if specified after a boldface entry; but noun plurals and verb forms are acceptable if clearly implied by the inflectional patterns of related words. Words may contain accent marks. A word is unacceptable if it (1) is composed of two or more component parts separated by a space, or appears only as such a component part; (2) contains an apostrophe, hyphen, or period; (3) is designated only as capitalized or usually capitalized; (4) is listed only as an abbreviation or symbol; (5) appears only in the Addenda.

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-Trip Payne

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### IN OTHER WORDS **ARABIC 101**

You don't need to know Arabic to take this test-just match the 15 Arabic words (1-15) with their English translations (a-o), and see if you aren't surprised at just how much Arabic you know.

- 1. baenzin supar
- 2. bantalon blu zhinz
- 3. blok-nohta
- 4. bodra taelk
- 5. iggah
- 6. karavatta papyon
- 7. katidrahleeya
- 8. klaekson
- 9. kliniks
- 10. kraym kahrahmell
- 11. manikeer
- 12. musika zhaez
- 13. otostop
- 14. sahra
- 15. sinemah
- a. bath powder
- b. bow tie
- c. cathedral
- d. custard
- e. desert
- f. hitchhiking
- g. horn
- h. jazz
- i. jeans
- j. movies k. memo book
- I. nail polish
- m. omelet
- n. premium gas
- o. tissues

-Ruth Freedman

### **STOP AND GO**

Here's a puzzle that requires you to stop and think before you get going. Can you name at least five songs which have go as the first word in the title? And five more beginning with the word STOP? (Our answers include nine of each.)

-Frank Dillon

### FOR THE RECORD CAPITALISM

Sure, you know the capitals of countries like Japan and Italy, and maybe even Bolivia and Iraq. But we're betting you won't be able to match more than a third of the countries below (1-15) with their capital cities (a-o). Care to try?

- 1. Bahrain
- a. Abidjan
- 2. Burundi Cameroon
- b. Antananarivo c. Bamako
- 4. Gabon
- d. Bujumbura
- 5. Ivory Coast e. Colombo
- 6. Madagascar f. Doha
- 7. Malawi
- g. Harare h. Kigali
- 8. Mali
- i. Libreville
- 9. Qatar 10. Rwanda
- j. Lilongwe
- 11. Somalia
- k. Lomé
- 12. Sri Lanka
- I. Manama
- 13. Togo
- m. Mogadishu
- 14. Tonga
- n. Nuku'alofa
- 15. Zimbabwe

- o. Yaoundé
- -David Del Rocco

### WORDPLAY **BLIND DATE**

Each word in the first column at right can be paired with a word from the second column according to a certain relationship. Can you determine the relationship and make the proper match-ups?

AID DUST SAY **TARDY** WEED YAM

YARD

DUN FRY NOD SANDY

AYE

---H. H.

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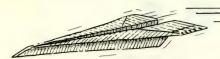
### LOGIC **FRIED RICE**

"I can't remember what I had for lunch on Tuesday. It must have been Chinese food-that's what I eat every weekday. I know I had chow mein on Monday and fried rice Wednesday-plus other things, of course; I always order three dishes. To avoid monotony, I don't order exactly the same three items on successive days. Gim Ling's menu has only five dishes on it, so I have to repeat individual items. For example, I had spring rolls Wednesday and Thursday. But I never order the same dish three days running. That's why I had egg drop soup today instead of hot and sour soup, even though I like hot and sour soup so

much that I have it at least every other weekday. Some day I'll try both soups at the same meal. But Tuesday's lunch is still a complete blank."

Can you reconstruct the narrator's lunches for every day (including Tuesday) this week?

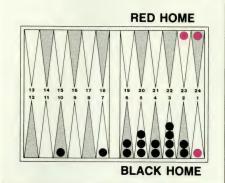
—Bob Stanton



### RACKGAMMON THE BOLD STROKE

In the backgammon position shown at right, Black rolls 1-1. What is Black's best play?

-Bill Davis



### TOUGH NUTS SNAKE IN THE GRASS

Each of the digits from 0 to 9 occurring in the equation below has been replaced by the same letter every time it occurs. Can you reconstruct the original equation?

 $ASP \times WEEDS = ASPHALT$ -Virginia McCarthy

### WORDPLAY MENAGERIE MANIA

### AAGNNOTRU

How many names of animals can you form using any or all of the nine letters above? For each word, you may repeat only those letters that appear more than once. Our list includes 13 animals, one using all nine letters.

-Mike Miller

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### UNCLE JACK THE MOVIE EXPERT

"Going to a movie tonight, are you?" said Uncle Jack to his greatnephews, Peter and Roger. "But you boys know nothing of the great days of movies. I used to go three times a week in my youth.'

The boys settled down comfortably. They loved picking out the bloopers in their Uncle Jack's monologues.

'My memories go right back to Clara Bow, the 'Oomph Girl' of the silents, and to Charlie Chaplin's early films. Though he was born in London, Charlie never made a British film-scarcely credible that.

"One old movie you'll have seen revived is the one where Boris Karloff played Frankenstein. Terrific that was. And I shall always remember Marilyn Monroe's first film, The Asphalt Jungle.

"Did you ever see Buster Keaton in The General? Full of wisecracks, that, and I'll never forget him hanging on the clock at the top of a skyscraper. Then the early Marx Brothers films; there were five brothers, you know. Zeppo appeared with Groucho, Chico, and Harpo in the first few films, but Gummo never appeared. A pity you never saw James Cagney—he was great in gangster parts, but he made his last film around 1962.

"Katharine Hepburn was wonderful as The African Queen, co-starring with Bogart, of course. Did you know that Bogart was a socialite and a Broadway actor before he became a film star? Richard Burton was always a fine actor too, when he could take time off from his five marriages. Talking of marriages, did you know that George Sanders married both Zsa Zsa Gabor and her sister Magda?

'Coming up to modern times, I remember Dustin Hoffman in his first film, The Undergraduate, in which Anne Baxter played Mrs. Robinson. You must have seen Hoffman with Robert Redford in The President's Men.

"Then there were a number of things that, surprisingly, never happened. Jane Fonda never played in a film with her father. Charles Laughton never played the same character in two different films, and Garbo never appeared in a film with Dietrich."

"We don't know enough to contradict you, Uncle Jack," said Peter, "but some of your statements sounded odd."

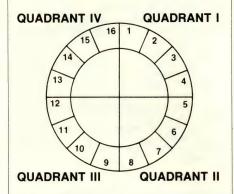
What were Uncle Jack's 15 mistakes? Score one point for each one you find, but take off three points for each correct item you thought was -Denys Parsons



### WORDPLAY RING LETTERS

Can you fill each of the letters from A to P into one of the 16 spaces in the ring below to fit the following clues?

- 1. Reading from top to bottom in each case, the letters in each quadrant spell a common English word.
- 2. Beginning in Quadrant II and going clockwise, the four vowels A, E, I, and O will be met in that order.
- 3. J is in space 1; B is in space 16.
- 4. C is directly across from E; D is directly across from F.



-Trip Payne

### FOR THE RECORD TOUGH TALK

A Department of Defense catalog calls it a "manually powered fastener-driving impact device." What do we know it as?

And there's an item they call a "frame-supported tension structure." What's *that*?

---W. S.

### ELIZABETH FERRET-FROWNING CRIME IN CRESTWOOD ACRES

Elizabeth Ferret-Frowning, private investigator, usually disliked housing developments. But Crestwood Acres, a subdivision so new that it was not yet on any of the city maps, was different. The houses were clustered in a number of cul-de-sacs, all of which emanated from a large park area like the spokes of a wheel from a hub. The open space at the hub contained play equipment for children and several picnic tables. A thick grove of pine trees on a slight incline provided a green background for the houses, and the grove provided the area's name as well. It also offered privacy to the adults-only section of Crestwood Acres, a condominium complex with a separate entrance.

Lizzie started up the walkway toward the first home, an impressive cedar and flagstone rambler. The sun on her back was unusually warm for late March, and when she saw the emerging tips of the daffodils on both sides of the walkway, her spirits rose. Spring was coming at last.

Children's voices, chanting a jump-rope rhyme, drifted up from the park. It was hard to believe that such a pleasant neighborhood could be the center of a thriving illegal drug business.

In the six months since the first residents moved into Crestwood Acres, drug traffic at the local high school had tripled. The police and school authorities were baffled.

Continuing up the walkway, Lizzie noted the name on the mailbox: Richardson. When she knocked on the door, she was pleased to find that Mrs. Richardson was giving a coffee party for three neighborhood women Lizzie had met the previous

week. It would save valuable time to question four people at once.

Lizzie showed her identification and got right to the point.

"Last fall," she said, "some of the students at Crestwood High began using large quantities of drugs. I'm looking for any information about how the students get them."

All four women seemed astonished.

"My kids never mentioned any drugs for sale," said Mrs. Andrews. "Nor mine," echoed Mrs. Vander-

"Nor mine," echoed Mrs. Vanderly. "We moved here to get away from that sort of thing."

"I have no children," said Mrs. Elliott.

"Probably you should talk to people closer to town," suggested Mrs. Richardson. "We've lived here such a short time, we aren't aware of any school problems."

"When did you move to Crestwood Acres?" asked Lizzie.

"On Valentine's Day," said Mrs. Richardson.

"We've been here almost a month," said Mrs. Vanderly.

"We moved in about a month and a half ago," said Mrs. Elliott. "About the twentieth, I think."

"We moved in just last week," said Mrs. Andrews. "We don't even have curtains yet."

"Are you all the original owners?" asked Lizzie.

"Of course," said Mrs. Vanderly. "These homes were just built."

"I hate to break up your party," said Lizzie, as she took one of the women by the arm, "but I'd like you to come with me for further questioning."

Whom did Lizzie suspect was lying, and why?

—Peg Kehret

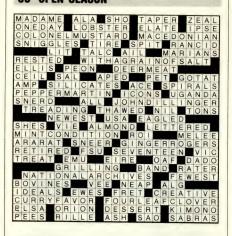
### 6 GAMEBITS

#### How to Talk Minnesotan

1) "You bet." 2) "Whatever." 3) "That's different.

II. 1-c, 2-a, 3-b.

### 35 OPEN SEASON

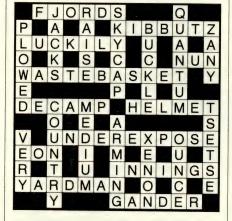


### 23 A TO Z

The initial letters and clue answers are as follows:

- 1. F, plowed 2. J. wastebasket
- 3. R, yardman 4. S, nun 5. Q, very
- 6. P, buckle K, quantum
- 8. B, medium 9. Z, country
- 10. L. raise
- 11. N, innings 12. W, luckily
- 13. D, zany

- 14. C, helmet
- 15. M, gander 16. H, xenon
- 17. T, decamp 18. A, tsetse
- 19. V, fjords 20. U, ounce
- 21. X, jacks 22. O, skycap
- 23. E, arming 24. I, kibbutz
- 25. Y, eon 26. G, underexpose



### 25 HIS AND HERS

- 1. Hercules 2. Hershey (Pennsylvania)
- 3. History
- Hertz 4.
- 5. Herbivorous
- 6 Hispanic
- Hermes
- 8. Hereford
- 9. Hispaniola
- 10. Hermitage
- 11. Herblock
- 12. Hiss
- 13. Histrionics
- 14. Herman's Hermits

### 18 STAGE PRESENCE

Characters are named as they appear from left to right within each photo, with actors' names in parentheses.

- 1. Newhart; Kirk Devane (Steven Kampmann), Dick Loudon (Bob Newhart)
- 2. Family Ties; Alex Keaton (Michael J. Fox), Elyse Keaton (Meredith Baxter-Birney), Steve Keaton (Michael Gross), Nick Moore (Scott Valentine)
- 3. The Cosby Show; Sondra Huxtable (Sabrina Le-Beauf), Theodore Huxtable (Malcolm Jamal-Warner), Dr. Heathcliff ("Cliff") Huxtable (Bill Cosby), Rudy Huxtable (Keshia Knight-Pulliam), Vanessa Huxtable (Tempestt Bledsoe), Denise Huxtable (Lisa Bonet), Clair Huxtable (Phylicia Rashad)
- 4. Happy Days; Arthur ("Fonzie") Fonzarelli (Henry Winkler), Ralph Malph (Donny Most), Warren ("Potsie") Weber (Anson Williams), Richie Cunningham (Ron Howard)
- 5. Cheers; Norm Peterson (George Wendt), Cliff Clavin (John Ratzenberger), Sam Malone (Ted Danson), Diane Chambers (Shelley Long)
- 6. Barney Miller; Detective Stanley Wojohowicz 'Wojo'') (Maxwell Gail), Barney Miller (Hal
- 7. The Dick Van Dyke Show; Rob Petrie (Dick Van Dyke), Laura Petrie (Mary Tyler Moore)
- 8. All in the Family; Edith Bunker (Jean Stapleton), Archie Bunker (Carroll O'Connor)

- 9. Night Court; Judge Harry Stone (Harry Anderson), Assistant D.A. Dan Fielding (John Larrouquette), Billie Young (Ellen Foley)
- 10. I Love Lucy; Lucy Ricardo (Lucille Ball), Ricky Ricardo (Desi Arnaz)
- 11. Leave It to Beaver; Theodore ("Beaver") Cleaver (Jerry Mathers), Wally Cleaver (Tony Dow), Ward Cleaver (Hugh Beaumont), June Cleaver (Barbara Billingsley)
- 12. Kate & Allie; Allie Lowell (Jane Curtin), Kate McArdle (Susan Saint James)
- 13. Alice; Florence ("Flo") Jean Castleberry (Polly Holliday), Vera Louise Gorman (Beth Howland), Alice Hyatt (Linda Lavin), Mel Sharples (Vic Tayback) 14. Taxi; "Reverend Jim" Ignatowski (Christopher Lloyd), Louis De Palma (Danny DeVito), Elaine Nardo (Marilu Henner)
- 15. The Honeymooners; Alice Kramden (Audrey Meadows), Ralph Kramden (Jackie Gleason)
- 16. The Mary Tyler Moore Show; Marie Slaughter (Joyce Bulifant), Murray Slaughter (Gavin Mac-Leod), Mary Richards (Mary Tyler Moore), Ted Baxter (Ted Knight), Lou Grant (Edward Asner)

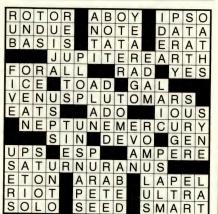
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### 30 AD LIBS

- 1. Please don't squeeze the CHARMIN; Good to the last drop (MAXWELL HOUSE).
- Melts in your mouth, not in your hand (M & M'S); Ring around the collar (WISK).
- Don't leave home without it (AMERICAN EX-PRESS CARD); Let HERTZ put you in the driver's seat.
- 4. I'd walk a mile for a CAMEL; The best to you each morning (KELLOGG'S).
- 5. When you care enough to send the very best (HALLMARK); Reach out and touch someone
- 6. Aren't you glad you use DIAL; The beer that made Milwaukee famous (SCHLITZ).
- Let your fingers do the walking through the YELLOW PAGES; You deserve a break today (McDONALD'S).
- 8. I can't believe I ate the whole thing (ALKA

- SELTZER); Get a piece of the (PRUDENTIAL).
- It takes a tough man to make a tender chicken (PERDUE); RAID kills bugs dead.
- Brush your breath with DENTYNE; Everything you always wanted in a beer. And less (MILLER LITE).
- 11. When it rains, it pours (MORTON SALT); Roaches check in, but they don't check out (ROACH MOTEL).
- Strong enough for a man, but made for a woman (SECRET); Inexpensive. And built to stay that way (SUBARU).
- Be all that you can be (U.S. ARMY); SNICK-ERS satisfies you.
- 14. Nobody doesn't like SARA LEE; We try harder (AVIS).

### 27 A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW



#### 38 CAVEAT EMPTOR

THE BIG BANG! A matchbook ART LOVERS, REJOICE! A paper clip THE WONDERS OF ENGRAVING! Four coins (penny, nickel, dime and quarter) MOVIE SETTING SOUVENIRS! A vial of sand YEARS OF BACKYARD FUN! An acorn DEFY GRAVITY! A straw RANDOM DIGIT GENERATOR! A die CRYSTALS! CRYSTALS! A sugar packet

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### WILD CARD ANSWERS

### **ARABIC 101**

1-n, premium gas 9-o, tissues 2-i, jeans 10-d, custard 3-k, memo book 11-I, nail polish 4-a, bath powder 12-h, jazz 5-m, omelet 13-f, hitchhiking 6-b, bow tie 14-e, desert 7-c, cathedral 15-j, movies 8-g, horn

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#### FRIED RICE

The narrator's lunches were as follows:

Monday: hot and sour soup, spring rolls, chow

Tuesday: egg drop soup, fried rice, chow mein Wednesday: hot and sour soup, spring rolls, fried

Thursday: hot and sour soup, spring rolls, chow

Friday (today): egg drop soup, fried rice, chow mein

### STOP AND GO

"Go All the Way"

"Go Away, Little Girl"

"Go Down, Moses"

"Go Fly a Kite"

"Go On With the Wedding"

"Go Tell Aunt Rhody"

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

"Go Where You Wanna Go"

"Go Your Own Way"

'Stop and Smell the Roses'

"Stop Beating 'Round the Mulberry Bush"
"Stop Draggin' My Heart Around"

"Stop! In the Name of Love"

"Stop, Look, and Listen (To Your Heart)"

"Stop, Stop, Stop"

"Stop the Music"

"Stop the War Now"

"Stop the Wedding"

### **BLIND DATE**

The words can be paired to form anagrams of the seven days of the week:

SUNDAY = SAY + DUN MONDAY = YAM + NOD TUESDAY = DUST + AYEWEDNESDAY = WEED + SANDY THURSDAY = DRAY + SHUT FRIDAY = AID + FRY SATURDAY = TARDY + USA

### CAPITALISM

1-I, Manama

2-d, Bujumbura

3-o, Yaoundé

4-i, Libreville

5-a, Abidjan

6-b, Antananarivo

7-j, Lilongwe 8-c, Bamako

9-f, Doha

10-h, Kigali

11-m, Mogadishu

12-e, Colombo

13-k, Lomé

14-n, Nuku'alofa

15-g, Harare

#### **MENAGERIE MANIA**

We found ant, angora, gar, gator, gnat, gnu, goat, grunt, nag, orangutan, rat, roan, and tuna. (Gar and grunt are types of fish.)

### THE BOLD STROKE

If Black can close out at least two of Red's three remaining checkers, he will become a big favorite to win the game. But with just one Red piece on the bar, Black would be almost a 6-to-1 bear-off underdog. Therefore, to close out one checker now with 3/1, 3/1 is incorrect.

For Black to pick up a second checker, he must first get hit by Red. Black could hit Red "loose" with 3/1, 10/8. Now when Red hits back with any ace (except 1-1). Black will get a double shot from the bar at Red's home board blots.

Unfortunately, if Red fails to enter for a couple of turns, Black will probably be forced to close his board. For this reason, a wide-open attack is required. Black should play 10/7, and strike boldly with 2/1!

Hitting Red while exposing two blots greatly improves Black's own chance of being sent to the bar. At the same time, he maintains a solid fiveprime to hamper Red's escape. The "bold stroke" is clearly Black's best play to pick up another Red

### THE MOVIE EXPERT

- 1. Ann Sheridan was the "Oomph Girl." Clara Bow was the "It Girl."
- Chaplin's last three films, Limelight, A King in New York, and A Countess from Hong Kong, were all made in England.
- 3. Karloff didn't play Dr. Frankenstein; he played his monster.
- Monroe first appeared in Dangerous Years in 1947. (She also appeared in The Asphalt Jungle-but that was in 1950.)
- 5. Wisecracks? The General was a silent film.
- 6. It was Harold Lloyd who hung from the clock, in Safety Last.
- Cagney made a comeback in Ragtime in 1982.
- The African Queen was the name of a boat.
- Hoffman's movie was The Graduate, not The Undergraduate.
- 10. It was his first starring role, not his first film.
- 11. Mrs. Robinson was played by Anne Bancroft, not Anne Baxter.
- 12. The Hoffman-Redford film was All The President's Men.
- 13. Jane Fonda appeared with her father in On Golden Pond.
- 14. Charles Laughton played Henry VIII in both The Private Life of Henry VIII and in Young Bess. He also played Captain Kidd in Captain Kidd and in Abbott and Costello Meet Captain Kidd.
- 15. Garbo and Dietrich both appeared in G.W. Pabst's Joyless Street.

(Five marriages is correct for Burton-he married Elizabeth Taylor twice.)

### SNAKE IN THE GRASS

The original equation was:  $349 \times 10024 = 3498376$ 



### TOUGH TALK

The items described are a hammer and a tent, respectively.

#### CRIME IN CRESTWOOD ACRES

Mrs. Richardson had daffodils coming up along her walkway. Daffodil bulbs must be planted in the fall; if she didn't move in until mid-February, it would have been too late to plant them.

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### 40 THAT'S ABOUT THE SIZE OF IT

Left page (top to bottom, left to right): Little Richard, Little Dipper, Big Ben (the bell in the clock tower shown), big hand and little hand (on the clock's face), Big Dipper, My Little Chickadee (Mae West and W. C. Fields), Little Caesar (Edward G. Robinson), The Big Sleep (Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall), big toes, little toes, Big Red gum, Big Brother (from the movie 1984, starring Edmond O'Brien), Little League, bighorn sheep, Big Mac, Little Toot, Big Diomede and Little Diomede Islands (notable because they mark the closest distance between U.S. and Soviet soil, about two miles), Big Wheel, Little Lulu, Three Little Pigs.

Right page (top to bottom, left to right): Little Big Man (the character, played by Dustin Hoffman in the movie of the same name, took part in the battle of the Little Big Horn), the Big Bang, Little America (in Antarctica), Little Shop of Horrors (Audrey II). Big Top, Little Golden Books, Big Band (record albums), Little Red Riding Hood, Little Beaver, Little Rascals, the Big Three (Churchill, Roosevelt, and Stalin), Big Bird, Little King, Little Orphan Annie, The Big Chill (William Hurt, JoBeth Williams, Jeff Goldblum, Meg Tilly, Tom Berenger), Little Miss Marker (Shirley Temple), The Little Mermaid, Rich Little, The Big Easy (Dennis Quaid and Ellen Barkin), My Little Margie (Gale Storm), the Little Tramp (Charlie Chaplin), Little Joe Cartwright (Michael Landon, from Bonanza), the Little Corporal (Napoleon), Big Little Book (Flash Gordon), Big Bad Wolf, Little Debbie, Bob's Big Boy, Little Nemo.

### 2 YOUR MOVE

#### Two and a Half Questions

There are 40 ways three numbers can have a product of 900, and for most of them, knowing their sum leaves only one possibility. The exceptions are:

1 + 30 + 30 = 612 + 9 + 50 = 613 + 15 + 20 = 384 + 9 + 25 = 384 + 15 + 15 = 345 + 9 + 20 = 34

Joe obviously knows his daughter's age, so if he didn't know the three numbers yet, they must have been one of the six exceptions above.

Since their sum must be even (twice his daughter's age), it can't be 61. And if the sum were 38, Joe wouldn't know the numbers after interrupting the last question the way he did. But with a sum of 34, the last question involves dividing by zero if the numbers are 4, 15, and 15. So just hearing that the question had an answer is all Joe would need to deduce the numbers.

Therefore, the sum is 34, and the three numbers are 5, 9, and 20.

#### Pieces of Eights

The words are boniness, colossal, decanter, domineer, honestly, hothouse, ligament, rudiment, seafarer, sideline, sprouted, tapering.

### First to Last

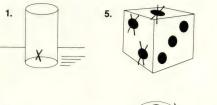
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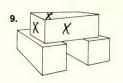
### 27 COMMON ELEMENTS

- Sweden, Denmark (Scandinavian countries)
- Opal, topaz (gemstones)
- 3. Superior, Erie (Great Lakes)
- 4. Seven, eleven (numbers)
- 5. Shad, haddock (fishes)
- 6. Scorpio, Capricorn (zodiac signs)
- Ounce, pound (units of weight)
- 8. Bronze, iron (metals)
- Salem, Raleigh (state capitals)
- 10. Venus, Uranus (planets)
- Chess, checkers (board games)
- 12. Giants, Indians (baseball teams)
- 13. Peach, pear (fruits)
- 14. Carter, Arthur (U.S. presidents)

### 28 HOW IS YOUR SENSE OF PERSPECTIVE?

Give yourself 1 point for each one of your X's that matches an X below. Note that some pictures are worth more than 1 point.











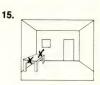




















To evaluate your performance according to Dr. Lewerenz's method, it is necessary to divide your score into three parts, as follows:

Pictures 1-7	
Part 1	





Next circle the three scores in the table below that equal your scores in the three parts of the test.

Part 1	Part 2	Dovt 2	Description	-
		Part 3	Description	Rating
12	9,10	7	very strong	1
10,11	6-8	5,6	strong	2
9	4,5	3,4	average	3
6-8	1-3	2	weak	4
0-5	0	0,1	very weak	5

Now take your individual ratings (not your scores) for Parts 1, 2, and 3 (as indicated in the right-hand column above) and enter them in the squares below. Add these three figures and divide by 3 to get your ratings average

Ratings Ratings Part 1 Part 2 Part 3 Total Average  $\div 3 =$ 

Finally, circle your Ratings Average in the following table to find your ability rating

Ratings Average	Ability Ratin
1.0-2.3	very strong
2.4-2.8	strong
2.9-3.2	average
3.3-3.6	weak
3.7-5.0	verv weak

Although Dr. Lewerenz saw overall intelligence as an element in perspective analysis ability, he viewed experience and specific training as having the most crucial impact on the development of such skills.

Scoring well on the test indicates an ability to critically observe your surroundings, much like the way in which a scientist analyzes a large body of data. If you did not score as well as you would have liked, take heart from Dr. Lewerenz's view that this skill is heavily influenced by training, and can be improved significantly by study

### 25 HOW SWEET IT IS!

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### 35 MIND FLEXERS

PUZZLE 1	PUZZLE 2	PUZZLE 3
1. C	1. E	1. C
2. D	2. C	2. E
3. E	3. D	3. D
4. B	4. A	4. B
5. A	5. B	5. A
PUZZLE 4 1. E 2. C 3. D 4. A 5. B	PUZZLE 5 1. C 2. E 3. A 4. B 5. D	

### 34 DOUBLE CROSS

Α.	GAWAIN	N.	WHIRLAWAY
B.	EINSTEIN	Ο.	THE MERCHANT
C.	ODDS	P.	OF VENICE
D.	ROD CAREW	Q.	BE MY BABY
E.	GATS	R.	EURYTION
F.	EDSEL FORD	S.	AMADEUS
G.	MUTTON	T.	NORMAN MAILER
Н.	INSTITUTION	U.	<b>AFTEREFFECTS</b>
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J.	EDITS	W.	INFAMOUS
K.	SPITTOON	Χ.	<b>EUROPEANS</b>
1	HORRITS	V	NATTY

In England it is bad manners ... to assert something confidently. It may be your personal view that two and two make four, but you must not state it in a self-assured way, because this is a democratic country, and others may be of a different opinion.-George Mikes, How to Be an Alien

### 32 DSZQUPHSBNT!

M. OUTSTAY

- 1. CRYPTOON. "Too bad, folks-he thought we were a crank call! Guess we'll have to give that million dollars to someone else!"
- 2. GRUNT WORK. "To me, the most perfect screenplay ever written will be one word."-Sylvester Stallone
- 3. ONLY YOU. Literary note: A printer's error added the "U" to William Falkner's name during publication of his first book.
- 4. TRULY BLUE. Now that Sean has spent time in the Penn, he probably longs for his pre-Madonna
- 5. FUNNY MONEY. Owner of failing novelty business tried taking his company public but wound up as laughing stock
- 6. TELL IT TO THE JUDGE. Offending lawyer is always short on mouthwash because she only buys package labeled "Trial Size."
- 7. HIT AND MISS. At film clip's finish, tall thin critic maintains "This flick's brilliant!" as his fat righthand man pans it: "What trash!"

### 33 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 1

#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Amber (a.m. + ber)
- 4 Burlesque (Burl-esque)
- 9 Tirades (I + trades)
- 10 Setting (gets tin)
- 11 Liberated (LI + berated)
- 12 Ocean (canoe)
- 13 Potato peeler (pot + atop + eeler)
- 17 No Admittance (contaminated)
- 22 Adios (radios R)
- 23 Seventeen (seen + event)
- 25 Shuteye (they use)
- 26 Iceberg (candICE BERGen)
- 27 Pirouette (I peter out)
- 28 Satyr (artsy)

- 1 Antelope (ant + elope)
- 2 Birdbath (bad + birth)
- 3 Radar (palindrome)
- 4 Bus stop (buss + top)
- 5 Residue (reside + U)
- 6 Extrovert (rover + text)
- 7 Quiver (two meanings)
- 8 Engine (e + n.g. + in + E)
- 14 Trousseau (true so)
- 15 Indecent (dine + cent) 16 Teenager (green tea)
- 18 Descent (de-scent)
- 19 Invoice (in voice) 20 Catsup (cat's + up)
- 21 Liquor (licker)
- 24 Needs (two-toNE EDSel)

### 33 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 2

- 1 State capital (state + capital)
- 9 Dream up (puma + red)
- 10 Overtax (overt + ax)
- 11 Undermine (und + ermine)
- 12 Aerie (a + Erie)
- 13 Lie down (wild one)
- 15 Bridled (b + rid + led)
  16 Accepts (a + CC + pets)
- 19 Instant (twINS TAN Their)
- 21 Error (terror t)
- 22 Note paper (Peter Pan + O)
- 24 Tribute (rite + but)
- 25 Rallies (R + allies)
- 26 Grease monkey (ease + monk + grey)

- 2 Treadle (altered)
- 3 Timer (remit)
- 4 Caption (apt + 1 + con)
- 5 Proverb (rover + Pb)
- 6 Therapies (praise the)
- 7 Literal (liter + Al)
- 8 Expenditures (rise up extend)
- 9 Double agents (began loudest)
- 14 Opportune (or pop + tune)
- 17 Cursing (sing + cur) 18 Sonnets (son + nets)
- 19 Interim (in + term + I)
- 20 Apprise (rip + apse)
- 23 Pylon (scrapPY LONdoners)

### **39 FUNHOUSE PHOTOS**

- 1. Bunch of bananas
- Abacus
- Saxophone
- Swiss Army knife
- Champagne bottle
- Ice cube tray Water pistol
- 8. Sunglasses

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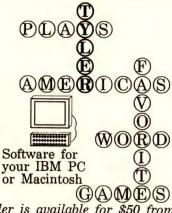
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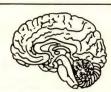
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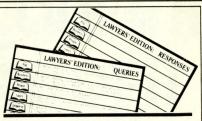
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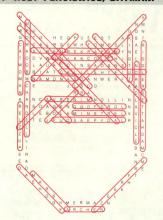
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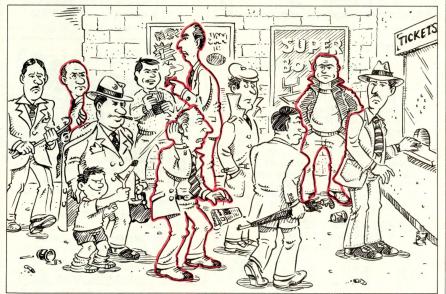
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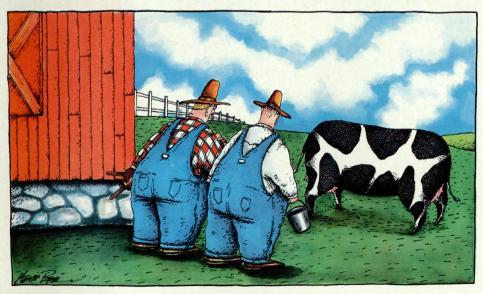


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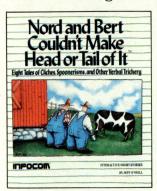
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